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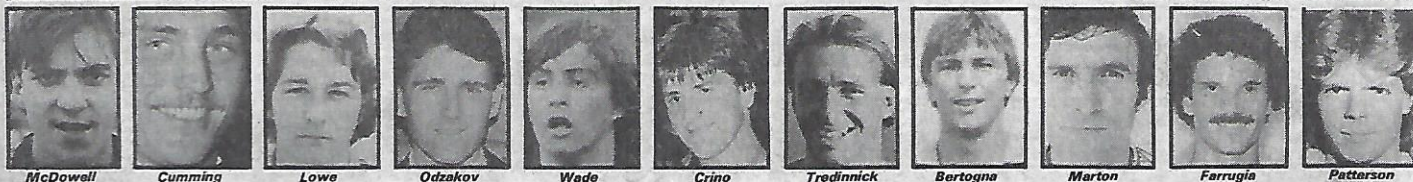
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## Now Roos to play the Press

The Socceroos will play against a team chosen by the Press before they leave on their world tour at the end of the season.

So says their coach Frank Arok.

"It'll give the Press a chance to show us how good they are. After all, they're always pretending to be national coaches," Arok said.

Soccer writers and broadcaster from throughout Australia will be asked to cast votes for the players of their choice in each position. Those who top the poll will form the team to meet Arok's Socceroos. The 22 in his squad won't be available for the Press team.

Arok did the same thing back home in Yugoslavia, where he was secretary of the football press association.

"They've kept it going as an annual affair, and now the football press association makes so much money out of it that the game finances all of the association's activities, including its best player awards," Arok said.

He suggested that the Australian Soccer Press Association should run the match here, organise the venue, appoint a coach for its team, and share the gate takings 50-50 with the Australian Soccer Federation.

By LAURIE SCHWAB

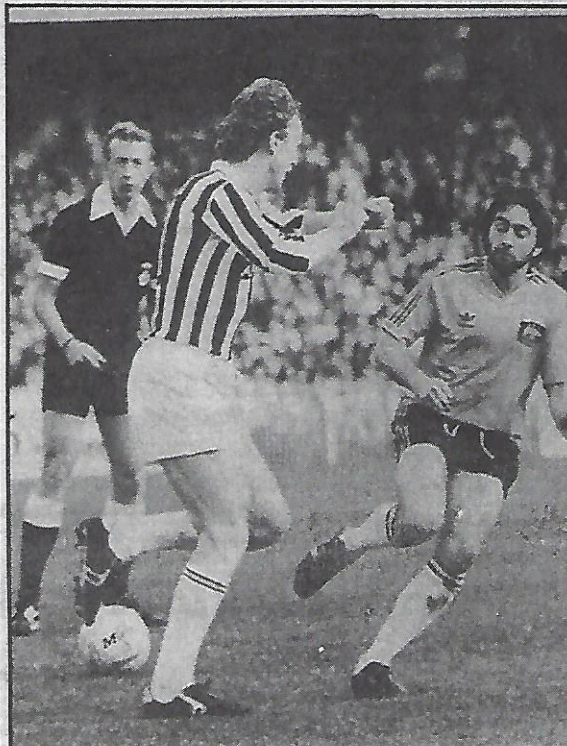
"Such a match is sure to be well promoted, and if it is held in Melbourne, I believe it would draw at least 15,000 people," Arok said.

To test the water, so to speak, we had a quick poll of "Soccer Action" correspondents, and the players heading the list for the Press team are:

Zarko Odzakov (Makedonia), Dennis Boland (Footscray J.U.S.T.), Gary McDowell (Footscray J.U.S.T.), Tommy Cumming (Melb. Croatia), Josip Biskic (Melb. Croatia), Scott Patterson (H'berg-Alex), Ian McKie (H'berg-Alex), Don Macleod (H'berg-Alex), Mike Petersen (H'berg-Alex), Claude Lucchasi (Makedonia), Paul Wade (Green Gully), David Lowe (Marconi), Billy Rogers (Juventus), George McMillan (Makedonia), Andrew Zinni (Juventus), John Dowie, (Juventus), Carl Halford (SM-Hellas), Oscar Crino (SM-Hellas), Arno Bertogna (APIA), Peter Tredinnick (APIA), John Bradley (APIA), Frank Liddell (Brisbane City), Marian Kovacic (Sydney Croatia), Wally Savor (Syd. Croatia), Tommy Sormanni (Canberra), Neville Flounders (Ad. C. Juventus), Sergio Melita (Ad. C. Juventus), Joe Senkalski (Newc.-Rosebud), Dez Marton (St George Budapest), Ray Farrugia (Melita Eagles) and George Konstantopoulos (West Adelaide Hellas).

Pick a team out of that array of stars! Even Arok would find it difficult.

Put 'em up, Joe!



• Zbigniew Boniek (stripes) of Juventus floors Australia's Joe Watson with a left hook during their 1-1 draw at the MCG on Sunday. At left is Tasmanian referee Jack Johnston who should have sent at least three players off, according to Craig Mackenzie's report on page 3.

## HATZIPANAGIS TURNS IT ON

IRAKLIS 4 (D. Papadopoulos, C. Zifkas, D. Adamou, L. Papaioannou) DARWIN 0 at Showground Oval, Darwin. Crowd: 4000.

• Vasil Hatzipanagis lived up to his reputation as one of the finest footballers in Europe by masterminding a 4-0 victory over a Darwin XI in Iraklis's first match in Australia, in Darwin last Sunday.

Hatzipanagis controlled the match with precision passing and strong running which created numerous chances for his teammates in a match watched by 4000 people at the Darwin Showground Oval.

Iraklis will meet Australia B at Lang Park, Brisbane, tonight (Wednesday) — and Australia B from now on will field a settled side, after having experimented with various players in previous matches.

Iraklis will meet Australia B again at the MCG on Sunday, and will take on Australia A at Hindmarsh Stadium, Adelaide, on Friday, June 22.

In Darwin, Iraklis played a laid back brand of one-touch football which had the crowd enthralled from the kick-off.

Iraklis went one up after only 10 minutes when Daniel Papadopoulos pounced on a loose ball to score from five metres.

Star midfielder Lakis Papaioannou landed the second goal 12 minutes later when he latched onto the end of a Hatzipanagis cross to head home from 10 metres.

Dimitrios Adamou hit the third goal in the 52nd minute when he beat two players on the edge of the box and fired a shot into the top corner of the net, and Zifkas scored the fourth.



• Vasil Hatzipanagis

First team coach Friedl Rausch did not make the trip.

His assistant Telly Batakis is coach for the tour.

Three players were forced out of the tour. George Karaiskos is injured while Savas Kofidis and Ioannis Gitsioudis are on National Service with the Greek army.

## Greek stars here to flex their muscles

By PAUL MOON

The team which meets Australia B at the MCG on Sunday certainly has a mighty name to live up to, for the English translation of Iraklis is Hercules!

The dominance of Athenian trio Panathinaikos, Olympiakos and AEK gives little scope for other clubs to claim major domestic honors and Iraklis has been restricted to just one.

This came in 1976, when it beat Olympiakos in the Greek Cup final on penalties after a 4-4 draw.

But in the European Cup Winners' Cup campaign Iraklis lost 0-2 on aggregate to Apollon Nicosia of Cyprus.

Earlier European ventures had been even more disappointing. In the old Fairs Cup, Iraklis lost 3-10 to

Vojvodina Novi Sad (1961) and 1-9 to Real Zaragoza (1963).

By finishing third in the recently completed Greek League, Iraklis will have the chance to redress the balance during next season's UEFA Cup.

Under West German coach Friedl Rausch, Iraklis has developed into an excellent team which led the First Division early only to be overhauled by Panathinaikos and Olympiakos.

Among the better-known Iraklis players are much-capped defender George Firoos; Lakis Papaioannou, a \$300,000 buy from Pierikos five years ago; Charalambos Xanthopoulos — prominent during Greece's scoreless draws with West Germany (1980) and England (1983), and of course Vasil Hatzipanagis.

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# Ratcliffe learns from O'Connor

When Australia A scored against Juventus at the MCG last Sunday, it was the Soccer-roos' seventh goal in its five unbeaten matches in the international series.

That goal was scored by defender David Ratcliffe who thus emulated his centre-back partner Steve O'Connor who has scored twice so far.

Coach Frank Arok joked after the match: "Ratcliffe is my goalscoring deputy for O'Connor."

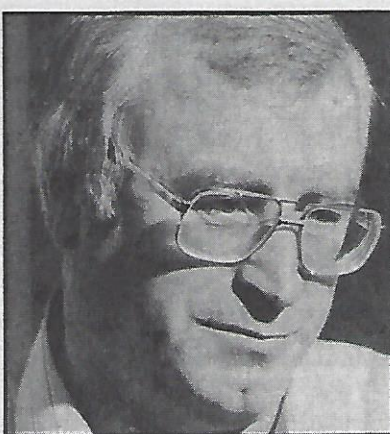
Asked whether he saw Ratcliffe as a threat to him as a scorer, O'Connor said: "I taught him everything he knows."

O'Connor agrees that he almost never scores for his club, Sydney City Hakoah, adding quickly: "But then, I'm a big-match player."

Neither O'Connor nor Ratcliffe was disturbed by the fact that Juventus had more vocal support than Australia. "It's these overseas teams the fans come to watch, I suppose. They only get one chance in a lifetime," Ratcliffe said.

Both agreed, however, that Australia's performances so far deserved greater recognition by the crowds.

— LAURIE SCHWAB



Rangers manager Jock Wallace

# Roos' surge like that of Holland

Glasgow Rangers manager Jock Wallace left Australia on a winning note at the weekend but still took with him one major disappointment.

"I must be regarded as one of the top coaches in Europe but at no stage during the international series was I able to talk to Australian coaches," he said.

"My program for the rest of this year is already mapped out, especially with the Scottish season resuming on

August 11 but I would be available to return for coaching lectures next year providing the schedule is not crowded."

Rangers flew to New Zealand after a five-match tour which netted two wins and two draws against Australia B and one loss to Australia A.

The Scots met Australia B for the fourth time and revealed the difference in class when they trailed 1-0 at half time but took charge in the second half to run out 4-2 winners.

Wallace forecast a big leap forward for Australian soccer

providing certain plans are carried through.

"Since my last visit in 1975 I would classify Australia as having made the same type of improvement as Holland and the next decade should see more positive results," he said.

"The players are definitely there and the standard has visibly increased. Once the players have the confidence to attack, the supporters will see a different brand of soccer."

"Australia has big, fast forwards willing to run on to the ball and attack and they have to be given the incentive."

"This is a coaching problem and if a team loses, then frustration and argument starts. Australia A beat us 5-2 but there were no hanging heads and we don't go on the field with the worry of defeat."

"That is fear football and it's not good for the game."

Wallace said he knew about the arrangements for this tour whereby Rangers would play four games in eight days but said he needed the tour to work out tactical schemes and players.

But he added there was no way they would come back under similar terms.

"Bring us back next year for four games on a Wednesday-Saturday schedule, and if we can have the coaching lectures with the same noticeable improvement in your teams, the crowds will be lining up at the gates to see the matches," he said.

The outspoken Scot paid particular tribute to his namesake, George Wallace, manager of the Australian B team and secretary of the Victorian Soccer Federation.

"He's carried out a good job for Australia with his dedication and commitment and that's probably because with the name he has there must be some Scottish blood in him," he said.

"He was the chief organiser when we toured here in 1975 and beat Victoria 5-1. If it hadn't been for the friendship we made and that Scot Jack Reilly in goals we would have beaten Victoria 10-1."

# Roos too rough, moans Notts Forest coach

By TED SIMMONS

AUSTRALIA B 0 NOTTINGHAM FOREST 0 at Sydney Cricket Ground. Crowd 1500. Referee: Gary Power 6.

AUSTRALIA B: Franken 8 — Henderson 6 — M. O'Shea 8, Blair 6 — Lewis 7, Patikas 7, Katholos 6, J. O'Shea 7, Rizzotto 6 — Brown 6 (Egan 69th), Slater 6 (Cole 84th). Coach: Eddie Thomson.

NOTTINGHAM FOREST: Sutton 6 — Gunn 6, Fairclough 7, Hart 6, McInally 7 — Wigley 8, Bowyer 6, Hodge 7 — Davonport 6 (Reilly 81st), Murray 7, Mills 6 (Walsh 62nd). Coach: Ron Fenton.

Nottingham Forest bowed out of the international soccer series without a win after a low-key scoreless draw against Australia B at the Sydney Cricket Ground on Monday.

"Both teams were terrible and it was an especially poor first half," said Australian coach Eddie Thomson.

But Nottingham Forest coach Ron Fenton blamed the lack of goals on the physical style adopted by the Australians and the use of tackles from behind, which are now banned in England.

"The tour was a great experience, particularly

for the younger members whom we hope will come through to the first team, but today's match suffered as a spectacle because of the number of fouls," he said.

"This team was more physical than the A team and it seemed they were determined to stop us. There was no retaliation from the Forest players, but it could have been different if I had taken the collars off," Fenton added.

Forest finished the tour without a win, registering two draws against Australia A and a 1-0 loss to Manchester United.

Referee Gary Power had his hands full in an incident-packed first half where tackles took precedence over tactics.

Only a continuance of the outstanding form of Australian goalkeeper Anthony Franken prevented Forest from breaking the deadlock as he once more brought off a number of brilliant and courageous saves.

He was in action in the sixth minute with Peter Davenport intercepted a throw-in, and found winger Steve Wigley, whose first time shot was tipped around the post by Franken.

Australia replied six minutes later when Jim Patikas slipped the ball to John O'Shea, but his drive was wide.

Franken literally clawed his way through the air to stop a blockbuster from Steve Hodge while

Tony Henderson deflected a shot from Ian Bowyer after the Forest skipper had weaved around three defenders.

Goal attempts were few in the first half as players concentrated on stopping their opposition.

Franken had to dive and smother the ball at the feet of Jim McInally early in the second half and denied Bowyer a winning chance three minutes from time when another brave dive at the onrushing player brought a congratulatory pat from the Forest skipper.

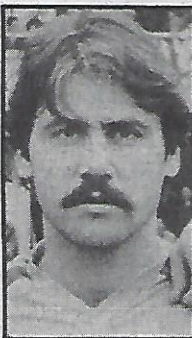
Australia came more into the game in the second half with Robbie Slater shooting across the face of the goal and heading twice into the hands of Forest Keeper Steve Sutton.

Most of the Forest players were content to stay out of trouble and push the ball around and the Australians lived only in the last 20 minutes when the quick-moving Charlie Egan replaced the slower Doug Brown.

"We must be objective in looking at the result and realise that the B team has drawn with Nottingham Forest, who finished third in the English first division," said Thomson.

"In fact they got better as the game continued and were desperate to do well. Franken was outstanding and Slater played well in only his second full match appearance."

Thomson said the difference between the two Australian teams now was not that the B team had lost its commitment but rather that the A team had got better.



Steve O'Connor



David Ratcliffe

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# ASIAN CHAMPIONS SERIES NEXT?

An Asia-Oceania club champions' Cup and a Down-Under nations tournament should be the next steps in Australia's venture into international soccer.

Both would serve to strengthen the image of Australian soccer, further boost the national team and, hopefully, make money.

National coach Frank Arok is known to favor both proposals.

The club champions' Cup would, ideally, involve the national champions of Australia, Japan, South Korea, China, Taiwan, New Zealand, and Indonesia at least. The winner of such a competition could go on to challenge perhaps the African champion, and then the European or South American champion ... eventually, at least.

The nations tournament would require handsome prize money to force the competitors to give their all, and it would be similar to the Mer-

lion Cup in Singapore.

An alternative to a competition involving national teams would be a short, sharp tournament between Australia and overseas clubs with a proven audience in Australia.

Panathinaikos, Hajduk Split, Vardar Skopje and AS Roma, for example. All you'd need is two Sundays of double-headers, and then the final. It couldn't miss.

— By LAURIE SCHWAB

## With help from ref Juve holds Australia



Craig Mackenzie

Man of the Match:  
**DAVID RATCLIFFE**  
(Australia A)

AUSTRALIA A 1 (Ratcliffe 42nd) JUVENTUS 1 (Koetting 79th) at MCG, Sunday. Crowd: 36,128. Cautions: Watson (Aust); Prandelli, Bonini, Brio (Juve). Referee: Jack Johnston 1.

AUSTRALIA A: Groody 7 — Yankos 7 — Davidson 8, Ratcliffe 9, O'Connor 8, Jennings 9, Murphy 9, Watson 9 (Cant 85th) — Soper 8 (Farina 68th), Kosmina 6, Egan 7 (Mitchell 68th). Coach: Frank Arok.

JUVENTUS: Tacconi 7 — Caricola 6, Scirea 8, Brio 7, Cabrini 7 — Tardelli 6 (Prandelli 57th), Bonini 8, Vignola 7, Boniek 7 — Rossi 6, Penzo 5 (Koetting 68th). Coach: Giovanni Trapattoni.

This was so close to being one of the greatest moments in the history of international soccer in Australia. But for a lapse in concentration from goalkeeper Terry Greedy in the 79th minute, Frank Arok's national "A" team would have beaten, and justifiably so, one of the finest club outfits in the world.

A win would have been all the more gratifying for the Australian camp because let no-one make the mistake of not recognising the fierce, competitive nature of this absorbing encounter, played in front of the biggest crowd to watch a soccer match in Victoria since the 1966 Olympics. Some said after the match that they were disappointed at the physical, sometimes violent nature of the game. They had expected Juventus to exhibit the passing skills and flair for which it is renowned.

It didn't. Because it wasn't allowed to by an Australian team which is as competitive, as aggressive as any team which has worn the green and gold in the past 20 years. A David Ratcliffe did a splendid job of shadowing the great Paolo Rossi, Alan Davidson and Graham Jennings pushed forward as they have done so in this series, and Marshall Soper and Charlie Egan made damn sure that whenever Juventus full backs Antonio Cabrini and Nicola Caricola tried to overlap they were picked up.

Amidst all this effort from the Australians, all this tremendous will-to-win and self belief, stood Kenny Murphy and Joe Watson in midfield. Collectively, they're probably worth about \$35,000 on the Australian market. They were up against players whose value runs into millions but not for these two Socceros a pauper's role. Far from it.

Watson jinked in and out of tight situations, playing it simple at exactly the right time, and proving as he has done since playing against England last year, that he is an international of the highest order.

Murphy's tremendous running ability and his amazing surprise to surprise the Italians. He challenged as if his life depended on it. He also



Marshall Soper, the herculean presence on Australia's right flank, files in front of Zbigniew Boniek.

loves to manhandle opponents, he's not averse to tripping and shirt-pulling and he's been a poor ambassador so far. Ask countless journalists and photographers who have had the misfortune of trying to talk to Boniek in Australia.

But back to the match. In the 15th minute Jennings played the ball to John Kosmina and set off down the right. Kosmina cleverly touched the ball off to Murphy whose delightful first-time pass sent Jennings through. But the full back pushed the ball a bit too far in front and Tacconi, who had charged off his line quickly, was able to smother at Jennings' feet.

Tacconi again was in the thick of the action when he had to save at Kosmina's feet in the 17th minute after Egan had cut the ball back from the left.

Juventus didn't create one clear-cut scoring chance in the first half. It created plenty of controversy, though. Like Tacconi, Sergio Brio should have been sent off. He let fly with an elbow which split Egan's mouth which required stitches at half time. Johnston was bold enough to book Brio, who would have been sent off in almost any other part of the globe.

Within two minutes of Brio's misdemeanour, Australia staggered Juventus by taking the lead. Watson swung over a corner to the near post in the 42nd minute. Ratcliffe judged the flight of the ball to perfection, heading firmly and surprising Tacconi, who tried to get both hands to the ball but couldn't stop it dropping into goal.

The Australians held firm until half time, although Arok was forced to hold his head in his hands in despair as Boniek wriggled into a shooting position, only to blast the ball wide of the far post.

Early in the second half, Tacconi was forced to dive at the near post and grab a shot from Soper but for the first 15 minutes of this half, Juventus pinned Australia in. Clearly, coach Giovanni Trapattoni had stirred up his stars during the interval.

Boniek forced Greedy into a fingertip save in the 55th minute. The ball had been crossed from the left, sweeper Gaetano Scirea had headed back and the incoming Boniek had

headed powerfully from 12 metres. Greedy tipped over. Rossi by now, was being jeered from the stands. However, he turned a defender inside out in the 59th minute and sent over a tantalising far-post ball. Just before Boniek could get there, in flashed Jennings to head out for a corner.

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Juventus captain Gaetano Scirea

## Local Juventus fetes visitors

Juventus captain Gaetano Scirea echoed the appreciation of his team at a gala reception at the St Kilda Town Hall on Sunday night when he said: "This is the finest welcome we have had anywhere in the world. We are humbly grateful. Nowhere else outside Italy have the fans been more enthusiastic."

The reception was arranged by Brunswick-Juventus, and almost 2000 people were there to pay tribute to the legendary stars of the famous Turin club.

The players' tables were surrounded throughout the night by well-wishers and autograph hunters.

"It is a big moment for us," Scirea said. "We will repay the kindness of the fans by producing much more in our remaining matches."

Scirea, who played for the Italian team that won the 1982 World Cup, praised Australia for its performance in drawing 1-1 with Juventus at the MCG.

"Australia has a very talented, very tough team, but we will beat them in the other two games," Scirea said.

The third and final match between Australia A and Juventus takes place at the Sydney Cricket Ground on Saturday. The second match was in Adelaide last night (Tuesday).

Joe Caruso, one of the organisers of the reception at the St Kilda Town Hall, said he hoped that the support shown for Juventus of Turin at the MCG would rub off on Brunswick-Juventus.

"We have a good team, and if we keep winning, we deserve to be supported by all the people who are here tonight," Caruso said.

— LAURIE SCHWAB



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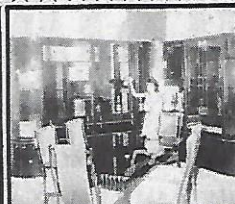


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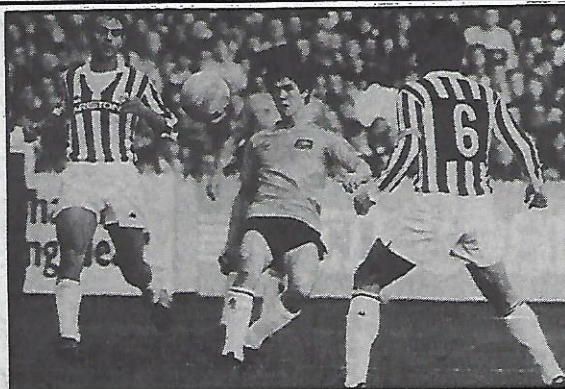
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Zbigniew Boniek (right) prepares a pass, as he's shadowed by John Kosmina.



Australia's Alan Davidson gets between Antonio Cabrini (left) and Gaetano Scirea to clear a Juventus attack at the MCG last Sunday.



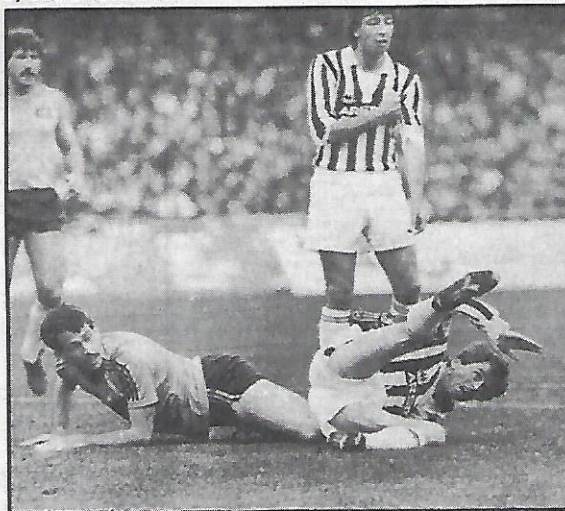
This is what happened to me — studs! — Ken Murphy (right) tells Paolo Rossi.



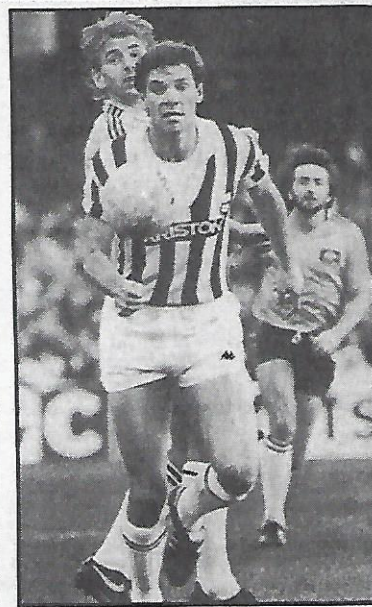
Juventus of Turin at the MCG last Sunday, from left, standing: Sergio Brio, Nicola Caricola, Zbigniew Boniek, Gaetano Scirea, Stefano Tacconi. Front: Marco Tardelli, Antonio Cabrini, Domenico Penzo, Paolo Rossi, Massimo Bonini, Beniamino Vignola. Pictures by LES SHORROCK.



The legendary Dino Zoff trains with Juventus at Fawkner Soccer Club's ground.



Australia's Graham Jennings (left) and Juventus's Beniamino Vignola take a tumble at the MCG. At left is Steve O'Connor and at right Domenico Penzo.



Sergio Brio gets in front of John Kosmina to clear, with Joe Watson in the background.



# Cooper and Rangers end on high note



Joe Lanzoni

**Man of the Match:**  
**DAVE COOPER**  
(Glasgow Rangers)

**GLASGOW RANGERS 4 (Patterson 19th, Burns 67th, McCoist 75th, Cooper 78th) AUSTRALIA B 2 (Blair 18th, Brown penalty 85th) at Adamstown Oval, Thursday, Crowd: 6,292. Cautions: Rizzotto (Aust); Redford, McClelland (Rang). Referee: Jim Reeves 7.**

**GLASGOW RANGERS:** McCloy 7 - Burns 8, McClelland 8, Patterson 7, Dawson 7 - Russell 7, McPherson 8, Redford 7 - McCoist 8 (McDonald 75th), Ferguson 7 (Clark 65th), Cooper 9. **Coach:** Jack Wallace.

**AUSTRALIA B:** Oliver 8 - Henderson 7 - Opasinis 6 (Egan 73rd), Blair 7, M. O'Shea 7, Rizzotto 6 - Patikas 8, Katholos 7, Selemidis 6 - Cole 6, Brown 6. **Coach:** Eddie Thomson.

Six goals and a high standard of soccer entertained a good crowd at Adamstown Oval last week as Glasgow Rangers said

goodbye to Australia in style with a decisive 4-2 victory over the national "B" team.

And both sides said after the match that the surface of the pitch was the best they had encountered so far in this World Series, a compliment not given lightly and a rarity in the past few weeks as some of the greatest players in the world have struggled on sub-standard pitches. As a consequence, we haven't seen really outstanding games, however, this clash was one of the best of the series.

Australia almost took the lead in the 14th minute. Jim Patikas let fly with a fierce drive from 25 metres which crashed onto the bar.

A minute earlier, Iain Ferguson had a goal disallowed after pushing Australian defender Joe Rizzotto.

But the Australians couldn't be held at bay for long. In the 18th minute Steve Blair headed in at the far post from a Doug Brown corner. Rangers' giant keeper Peter McCloy must have been sleeping, for he allowed Blair to outjump him. No mean feat!

A minute later Rangers hit back.

Three Australian defenders had chances to clear but failed, leaving Craig Patterson unmarked and in possession inside the six yard box. Patterson drove the ball home through a forest of legs.

Then came two brilliant saves from Jeff Oliver, both from great shots by Ally McClelland. The second save was outstanding as Oliver dived full length to hold a low drive from the Rangers striker.

Australia looked a match for

Rangers in the first half. Patikas and Peter Katholos were doing some great things in midfield, however, Tony Henderson gave the ball away a couple of times with hopeful long passes rather than trying to build it up from the back. Nevertheless, Henderson had quite a good game.

But the second half was a different affair as the crack Scottish outfit piled on the pressure.

In the 48th minute Ferguson shot over after great work by Dave Cooper on the right.

Then, in the 52nd minute, a marvelous Cooper chip over Oliver had goal written all over it until Mike O'Shea headed off the line.

Now, it was Australia's turn.

A long drive from Henderson forced McCloy to tip wide at full stretch and in the 58th minute Patikas broke clear, only to shoot against the legs of the Rangers keeper.

But Rangers wouldn't be denied.

With the Australian defence rushing out in the 67th minute, the ball was played back over the top. Oliver charged out of goal to punch clear from Dave McPherson, but only succeeded in setting up Hugh Burns, who tapped in from six metres. It was the only blemish on an otherwise fine display from the Australian keeper.

Rangers grabbed a two-goal cushion in the 75th minute. The linesman flagged, for offside then quickly changed his mind as he realised his mistake. McCoist broke free and made it 3-1. Straight after the goal, McCoist was replaced by John McDonald.

Rangers made it 4-1 in the 78th minute with the best goal of the night. Cooper, who really turned it on here, capped a great display with a superb goal.

After four pin-point passes, Cooper was given the ball, on the left edge of the Australian area, and he rifled home a sizzling low drive into the far corner.

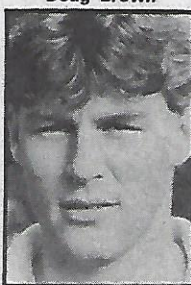
After that, Australia was a well beaten side and merely appeared to be going through the motions for the remainder of play.

It gained some consolation,

however, in the 85th minute, when a bad clearance by John McClelland set up Brown, who motored into the Rangers area only to be brought down by McClelland, trying desperately to recover. Brown converted from the resultant penalty.



Doug Brown



Steve Blair



Peter Katholos (left) against David McPherson. Who'll get the ball? At right is Rangers' Craig Patterson.

## He's the Cannonball Kid

Iain Ferguson was such a late addition to Glasgow Rangers' touring party that his name did not appear in many lists accompanying newspaper reports of the team's arrival.

The subject of a \$400,000 transfer from Dundee immediately before departing for Australia, Ferguson also had attracted interest from Aberdeen, Celtic, Dundee United, Coventry City and Wolverhampton Wanderers. Perhaps it was the incentive of a round-the-world trip which enabled Rangers to win his signature.

Recruited from Fir Park Boys' Club in 1977, he needed three years to establish himself in Dundee's first team, but once a regular he quickly became known as one of the hottest properties in Scottish football.

It was the power of his shooting which first won attention and gained him the nickname "Cannonball Kid."

Now however, non-stop, aggressive running and exceptional acceleration when moving into scoring positions are equally valuable facets in his repertoire.

Reports of major clubs sending their scouts to look at the exciting striker became commonplace but remarkably he remained at Dundee Park until the end of the recently-completed campaign.

Already capped by Scotland at youth and under-21 levels, Ferguson must be confident of graduating to full international status soon and being attached to a club of Rangers' calibre will help him towards that end.

- PAUL MOON

## COOL IT LADS, SAYS BIG JOCK



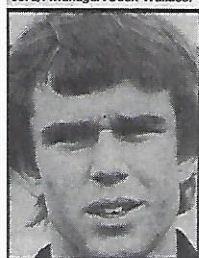
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**Man of the Match:**  
**TONY FRANKEN**  
(Australia B)

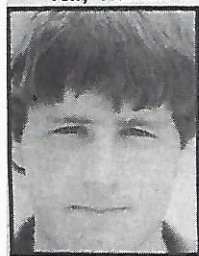
**AUSTRALIA B 1 (McCulloch 30th). GLASGOW RANGERS 1 (McClelland 32nd) at Hindmarsh Stadium, Tuesday, Crowd: 4300. Referee: Jim Rossis; 5. Cautions: Henderson (Aust); Burns (Rangers).**

**AUSTRALIA B:** Franken 9; Lewis 7 (Blair 60th), M. O'Shea 8, Robertson 8, Henderson 7, Opasinis 7; J. O'Shea 7, Miranda 7, McCulloch 8 (Patikas 79th), Slater 7, Egan 9. **Coach:** Eddie Thomson.

**GLASGOW RANGERS:** McCloy 8; Burns 7, McKinnon 7, Patterson 7, McClelland 8; McCoist 8, McPherson 8, Munro 7, Cooper 8, E. Ferguson 7 (Russell 63rd), Clark 8 (I. Ferguson 63rd). **Manager:** Jack Wallace.



Tony Franken



Tommy McCulloch



John O'Shea

Rangers manager Jack Wallace is understood to have gone into both dressing rooms at half time of this match to tell both teams to cool it and cut out the aggro after referee Jim Rossis lost complete control of the game.

Rossis made some questionable decisions on tackles for 50-50 balls and missed a number of over-the-ball and late tackles which had both Wallace and Socceros "B" coach Eddie Thomson jumping off the bench and screaming abuse.

There was a confrontation involving Charlie Egan and Dave McPherson, immediately after the Socceros' goal.

And not long after Rangers equalised, Con Opasinis squared up to Ally McCoist for a scuffle which brought the 20 outfield players swarming to the one spot.

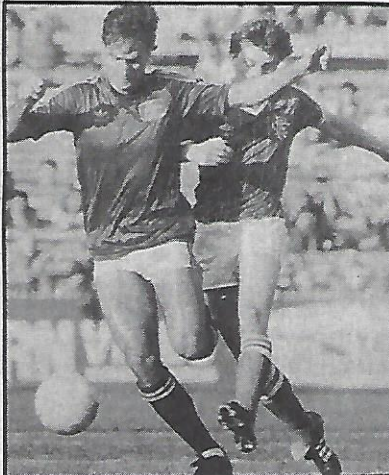
Then there was a booking for Tony Henderson for a foul on Eric Ferguson while earlier Peter Lewis will consider himself lucky to have got away with a simple ticking off for his late tackle on Dave Cooper.

Wallace's demand for a cooling of heads enabled the referee to come out of the nightmare somewhat in the second half but one wonders why Rossis would have been given such a hard game for his first international. This is one game he certainly will not forget in a hurry.

Rangers fell behind for the third time in four games but as on the three previous occasions were able to get on level terms almost immediately.

Tommy McCulloch scored Australia's goal after Rangers had dominated proceedings for the opening half hour.

Robbie Slater made a good run down the right, his centre went slightly behind Egan but the South Melbourne Hellas striker was able to turn and touch it on for McCulloch who made no mistake with his shot at the far post.



Australia B midfielder Jim Patikas breaks clear of a Glasgow Rangers opponent.

Jock Wallace immediately sent his five reserves to warm up down the touchline but there was no real need for panic as Rangers equalised within two minutes.

John McClelland was the scorer, latching onto a half clearance in a goalmouth melee to drive his low shot past Tony Franken.

Eddie Thomson had been sent two "A" team players, McCulloch and Robertson, and was asked to use both in the match.

Their addition and two other changes gave the Socceros a disorganised outlook and the side took a long time to settle into any sort of rhythm.

But the second half brought a glut of scoring opportunities for both sides.

Opasinis warned Franken for the upcoming barrage of shots from Rangers with a hard-hit back pass which forced the keeper into a flying

save to prevent an almost certain own goal.

At the other end, McCulloch's shot was deflected away for a corner and from the resultant kick, Mike O'Shea headed goalwards past McCloy but Bobby Russell had moved back to make a timely goal-line clearance.

Franken then made two great saves in a matter of minutes from substitute Iain Ferguson and Russell before the Socceros again came close to regaining the lead.

Egan finished a good run down the right with a low centre to Mike O'Shea who touched the ball wide for Slater to slam a shot past McCloy but the ball bounced off the post.

Franken rounded off the action by making the save of the game getting his fingertips to the ball to tip a piledriver from Cooper onto the bar.

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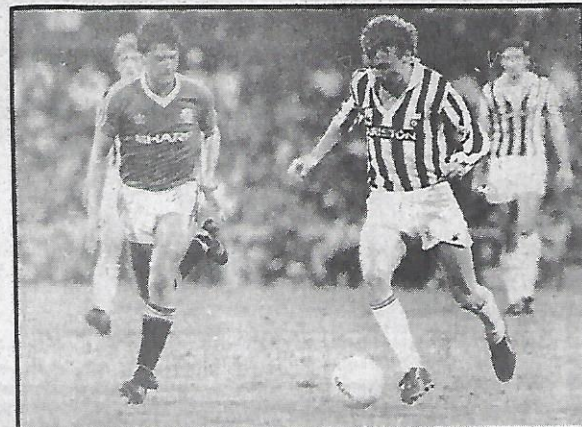
# Jeers for 'comrades in arms'

By LAURIE SCHWAB



Giovanni Trapattoni, Juventus coach.

**JUVENTUS 0 MANCHESTER UNITED 0**, Juventus won 5-4 on penalties, at SCG, Wednesday. Crowd: 24,286. Referee: Peter Rampley 7. Penalty scorers: Worthington (MU) 1-0, Penzo (J) 1-1, Hutchinson 2-1, Vignola 2-2, Barnes 3-2, Cabrini 3-3, McGarvey 4-3, Prandelli 4-4, Blackmore's shot saved, Boniek (J) 5-4.



Juventus' Polish super-star Zbigniew Boniek (right) confronts Manchester United full back Billy Garton. Pictures by LES SHORROCK.



Paolo Rossi (left) with one of the tour organisers, Sava Popovic.

**JUVENTUS:** Tacconi 9 — Gentile 7 (Caricola 78th), Scirea 7 (Prandelli 87th), Brio 7, Cabrini 8 — Tardelli 8, Bonini 7, Vignola 8, Boniek 8 — Rossi 6 (Koetting 65th), Penzo 6. Coach: Giovanni Trapattoni.

**MANCHESTER UNITED:** Bailey 8 — Garton 7 (Dempsey 89th), Moran 7, McQueen 7, McGrath 7 — Hutchinson 8, Davies 7, Moss 7, Barnes 8 — Worthington 9, Graham (inj. sub. Hughes 35th, sub. M. Garvey 7, half time). Coach: Ron Atkinson.

"The sound of 24,286 people booing can best be compared with a long moan. That was the noise that rang round the SCG as two of the greatest teams in the world ground through 90 minutes of

goalless soccer." — Sydney Morning Herald.

"The millionaires of international football, Juventus and Manchester United gave a peniless performance..." — Courier-Mail, Brisbane.

"Another exhibition match, watched by 24,286 fans, turned into a complete farce with a penalty shoot-out that decided the result. And that announcement came only five minutes from the end of the match which petered out to a scoreless draw." — Daily Telegraph, Sydney.

"Neither team tackled, there was much friendly patting of heads and hand-shaking and opposing coaches Giovanni Trapattoni and Ron Atkinson stood practically arm-in-arm watching the penalty shoot-out... It was an exhibition match — nothing more — the type of thing the Harlem Globetrotters are renowned for." — The Age, Melbourne.

"The big crowd was given added disappointment when superstars Paolo Rossi and Claudio Gentile were substituted..." — The Sun, Melbourne.

"European skills were abundantly displayed in what largely amounted to an elaborate exhibition game devoid of passion and excitement." — The Advertiser, Adelaide.

"It was a lacklustre affair because, to be truthful, there was nothing at stake." — The Sun, Sydney.

tainment without fire and passion," Arok said, and Lederer added: "If we are to have such matches, we need prize money of \$30,000 or \$50,000. That would bring out the passion."

Really, we had little right to expect much more than what we saw at the SCG from two teams with nothing to play for. These players are expensive commodities. Why take risks? Would you take a Rolls Royce to a smash-up derby?

It was different in 1977, in the "World of Soccer" series between Arsenal, Celtic, Red Star and Australia, because there was prize money involved, and so the players had a financial stake in the outcome. So it must be with any future matches staged here between visiting teams.

There was no doubting the skills of the Juventus players, of course, even if they used them only as a training exercise. Their play was controlled as usual. Defence was precise and clinical — the build-ups were intricate, possession lasted much longer than when United had the ball. Zbigniew Boniek was breathtaking when he chose; goalkeeper Tacconi was faultless right down to saving a penalty. Juventus also outnumbered United on the terraces, where

Italian flags fluttered in all corners of the SCG.

But the poor fans didn't see the best from their heroes. Antonio Cabrini, attacking incessantly on the left, was the busiest of Juventus's World Cup players. Next came Marco Tardelli, combining with Claudio Gentile on the right. Paolo Rossi had only one shot at goal, before he, Gentile and captain Gaetano Scirea were replaced by coach Giovanni Trapattoni.

United's 35-year-old guest player Frank Worthington outshone the Italians. He launched a few powerful shots at goal and was unlucky not to score. United's other stars, apart from goalkeeper Gary Bailey, were its two other guests, left winger Peter Barnes and Tommy Hutchinson on the right.

The penalty shoot-out was decided upon well before the match, so it was curious that no announcement was made at the ground until just before the end.

After the boos had subsided, Worthington scored with the first shot, and the next seven players also were successful, making the score 4-4.

Then Tacconi saved Blackmore's shot, leaving Boniek to score and win the match for Juventus 5-4.



Juventus left back Antonio Cabrini.



Peter Barnes (right), one of three guest players in the Manchester United team, loses the ball in this tackle by Gaetano Scirea — one of the rare tackles seen in this exhibition match at the SCG.



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# David Ratcliffe, the Australian Gentle!

AUSTRALIA A 2 (Kosmina 36th, O'Connor 69th) NOTTINGHAM FOREST 2 (Hodge pen 57th, Bowyer 66th) at Lang Park, Brisbane. Referee: Tim Davies 5.

**AUSTRALIA A: Greedy 9 - Davidson 8 (Watson half-time), O'Connor 7, Ratcliffe 9, Yankos 8, Jennings 8 - Cant 7, Raskopoulos 6 (Gray 57th), Farina 8, Kosmina 8, Soper 6 (Mitchell 74th). Coach: Frank Arok.**

**FOREST: Van Bruukelen 9 - Anderson 7 (Gunn half-time), Walker 6, Fairclough 8, McNally 8 - Wigley 7, Bowyer 8, Mills 6 - Hodge 6, Birles 6 (Riley 57th), Walsh 6 (Davenport half-time). Coach: Ron Fenton.**

David Ratcliffe is set to stamp himself as one of Australia's greatest ever defenders.

That's the opinion of coach Frank Arok and many others who watched the St George central defender in action for Australia "A" against Nottingham Forest in Brisbane.

Ratcliffe was assigned the task of keeping Forest's star striker Garry Birtles under control - a job which probably would ensure most defenders a sleepless night and a stomach full of butterfili.

But not Ratcliffe - undoubtedly Australia's answer to Juventus' "enforcer" Claudio Gentile.

From the start, Ratcliffe let Birtles know who was boss. The Forest striker scarcely could move without Ratcliffe swooping in with a well timed tackle or a powerful header.

But unlike many ruthless defenders, there was no malice in Ratcliffe's challenges. His game is one of pure determination and will to win.

"Ratcliffe is definitely nudging on world class, and he is still improving," Arok said.

"His concentration is so good and now he is even controlling his nerves. He fears no-one."

Ratcliffe's performance capped what was a fine showing from Australia "A" - probably the best display given by an Australian soccer team in Brisbane for decades.

Arok's "A" team took the game to Forest, paid the penalty for being too adventurous, then fought back to show its true colors.

Showing a new formation which saw Peter Raskopoulos tried in midfield ahead of Ken Murphy and Joe Watson, and youngster Frank Farina up front instead of David Mitchell, it took Australia nearly 20 minutes to settle.

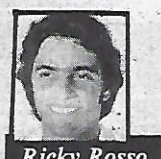
In that period, Forest applied plenty of pressure and Wigley, Hodge and Mills nearly snatched early goals for the visitors.

But then Farina, making his full international debut in front of his home state crowd, took the bit and had Forest back - prefalling with his searching, speedy runs from deep in the Australian half.

One Farina-initiated attack nearly produced a goal in the 26th minute, but the youngster's own shot was blocked, then Davidson's attempt was negated when an offside ruling was made.

But Australia was looking dangerous. And 10 minutes later Marshall Soper outpaced Forest new boy Joe McNally to run onto a superb cross field ball from Jim Cant. Soper

**Man of the Match: DAVID RATCLIFFE (Australia A)**



Ricky Rosso

fired his shot but Van Bruukelen was equal and spread himself well to block the pile driver.

One minute later, Farina created the opening goal. Using his fine skills and pace he weaved his way down the left to the line and crossed to his captain. Kosmina pivoted and cracked a low shot into the far corner.

Three minutes later the action was all at the other end and a world class save from Terry Greedy denied Steve Hodge a goal.

McNally, whose overlapping runs caused problems all night for Australia, got to the byline and found Hodge in the six yard box. Greedy made a reflex save to his left to stop the powerful header from the youngster, whose workrate and enthusiasm stood out in the Forest side.

The half finished with some more brilliant football. Super prior to the whistle, Soper found Kosmina unmarked at the edge of the box. With the big Forest keeper off his line, Kosmina cleverly chipped.

But van Bruukelen managed to get the finest of finger touches to the ball and just edged it over the cross bar.

Australia lost Alan Davidson at the break with a knee injury while Forest made two changes at halftime, seemingly only to give everyone a run.

It took only 12 minutes after the break for Forest to level terms thanks to a penalty. O'Connor, who until then had not been having a happy game, handballed as the ball bobbed up in a challenge with Hodge.

Although Hodge still managed to crack the ball into the goal, referee Tim Davies still awarded the penalty. It was one of a number of strange and unnecessary whistle blowing incidents from Davies, particularly in the second half.

Hodge was given the kick and blasted his attempt into the net with Greedy going the opposite way.

McNally created Forest's second with a surging run down the left and a pinpoint far post ball that was volleyed in by Ian Bowyer.

With its back to the wall, Australia showed tremendous determination and charged back seeking the equaliser.

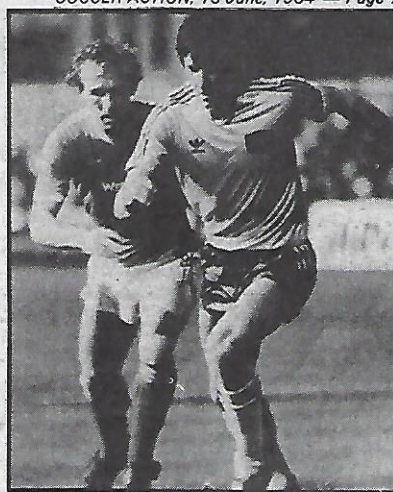
It was rewarded with a classic goal in the 69th minute. From a Joe Watson corner, O'Connor rose dominantly at the near post to glance a header into the net.

"The comeback was the result of our determination and hard work," said Arok.

Forest's players were fuming when they first arrived, because they had read that Soccer coach Frank Arok had expressed the opinion that Paul Hart was "slower than my grandmother." Hart was prevented by injury from proving Arok wrong, and Forest managed only to draw twice with the Soccerers.

warding aspect," Arok said later.

"It is vitally important for our World Cup chances that we are not beaten when we are down. No-one can now say that our results in the past were flukes."



Ian Bowyer (left) who scored for Forest in Brisbane, shadows Marshall Soper.

## McMeechan out, Williamson in

By CRAIG MAC KENZIE

Hammy McMeechan and Dave O'Connor joined Billy Voitek and Tony Vrzina on the State League coaching casualty list after being sacked by Doveton and Broadmeadows respectively last week.

Ian Williamson is the new coach at Doveton, while Jim McIntyre replaces O'Connor at Broadmeadows.

Earlier this season, St Albans Dinamo sacked Voitek while Vrzina resigned from Northcote.

That means that four of the last five clubs on the State League ladder have undergone coaching changes this year.

We'll see over the next few weeks whether St Albans, Doveton and Broadmeadows are sufficient in deciding that coaching changes are the answers to their on-field problems.

Williamson, a former Mooroolbark, Frankston City and Richmond player, may come up trumps on Saturday as Doveton is at home to Knox City.

The Doves finally have fixed up the transfer of midfielder Matt McDonald from Box Hill and he'll make his debut against Knox. Doveton also has signed another midfielder, Don Sutherland from Bulleen, and a few weeks ago signed Tony Kaiser, the ex-Melbourne and South Melbourne Hellas player. That means that Williamson now has far more depth in his first team squad, so don't be surprised to see the Doves making a list of their fight to avoid relegation.

The Broadmeadows committee is confident that McIntyre can get the players moving. At Laura Douglas Reserve on Saturday, however, Broadmeadows run into a Western Suburbs side which already has proven itself a competent, competitive and skilful State League outfit. Broadmeadows main task will be trying to cope with the attacking bite of Bill Lazopoulos, Ged Stenson and Alex Filippis.

Morwell is the top four side facing the greatest challenge on Saturday. Jimmy Dunne's lads travel to Croynod Park and although the home side isn't performing as consistently as it should, Croynod will be a real handful for Morwell.

However, in Steve Moore and Jim MacLean, Morwell has two of the classier midfielders in State League. Their use of the ball is first rate and they can play a major part in carrying Morwell to an important win.

Fawkner should defeat Frankston Pines at Monterey Boulevard, Polonia should beat Northcote at John Cain Reserve, while Box Hill should be too strong for St Albans Dinamo at Wembley Park.

Albion Rovers, who have surprised a few sides already this season, can grab yet another point when they take on Ringwood Wilhelmnia at Selwyn Park on Saturday.

Like most observers, I expected Albion to really struggle this year. But take a look at Albion's midfield. Tom Purcell, Gerry Reilly and Alan Bennett all can play. In fact, a few State League sides could do with a midfield like that.

Here are this week's games with likely winners in capitals:

**SATURDAY**

Albion Rovers v. Ringwood Wilhelmnia (draw) at Selwyn Park, 3 pm.

Broadmeadows v. WESTERN SUBURBS at Laura Douglas Reserve, 3 pm.

Frankston Pines v. FAWKNER at Monterey Boulevard, 3 pm.

Northcote City v. POLONIA at John Cain Reserve, 3 pm.

Croynod City v. MORWELL FALCONS at Croynod Park, 3 pm.

BOX HILL v. St Albans Dinamo at Wembley Park, 3 pm.

DOVETON v. Knox City at Waratah Reserve, 3 pm.

Buffalo State League ladder

	P	D	L	F	A	Pts
FAWKNER.....	8	2	1	31	16	18
POLONIA.....	7	3	1	26	10	17
BOX HILL.....	7	3	1	21	10	17
MORWELL FALCONS.....	6	4	1	18	6	16
Western Suburbs.....	6	1	4	26	23	13
Frankston Pines.....	4	3	4	12	14	11
Croynod City.....	5	1	5	12	15	11
Albion Rovers.....	3	4	4	9	14	10
Knox City.....	4	2	5	14	22	10
Northcote City.....	4	0	7	20	19	8
Ringwood W.....	2	4	5	15	20	8
St Albans.....	1	4	6	8	18	6
Doveton.....	1	3	7	8	17	5
Broadmeadows.....	2	0	9	8	24	4

## SELECTIONS

METROPOLITAN	DIVISION ONE	DIVISION TWO	DIVISION THREE	DIVISION FOUR
Saturday: Ball Park v. ALTONA CITY; SPRINGVALE CITY v. Albion Gate; NUNAWADING CITY v. Doncaster Rovers; Seaburn v. NORTH DANDENONG; Richmond v. MELBOURNE; Mooroolbark v. Knox; Werribee v. THOMASTOWN.	Saturday: NORTH GEELONG v. Drummond City; Sandringham v. Caulfield City (draw); WARRIEWAY CITY v. Epsom; Regent United v. COBURG; SOUTH OAKLEIGH v. Heidelberg; Boroondara v. KILGORE; St Mel v. Middlesex v. Warrington (draw).	Saturday: HAMILTON RANGERS v. Prahran City; Mooroolbark v. RYTON; RICHMOND; MORABARR CITY v. Andrew; KARINGALL v. Brighton; GEELONG v. Yallourn; Essendon City v. Ballarat (draw); PORT MELBOURNE v. Caris.	Saturday: HOLLAND PARK v. EAST BRUNSWICK; YARRAVILLE v. Blaxby; Springvale United v. Effron; Hill (draw); GREENSBOROUGH v. Rosanna; ROSANNA v. Hawthorn; LANGWARRIN v. Kynabourgh; LALOR UNITED v. FENTREE CULLY.	Saturday: BORONIA v. Ballarat (draw); Shepparton City v. CLARENDON; Murchison v. CHILSEA; CARLTON v. Clayton; Malton v. HAWTHORNS; Central City v. Malvern City (draw); West Geelong v. West Brunswick (draw).

## Tacconi, Vignola for Italian Olympic team

The Italian Olympic Committee (CONI) has decided to enter a national soccer team in the Los Angeles games to replace one of the boycotting countries of the Soviet bloc.

CONI took the decision in accordance with recommendations by the Italian Soccer Federation and by the International Football Federation (FIFA).

FIFA invited Italy, West Germany and Spain to enter teams in the Olympic soccer tournament to replace the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia and Poland.

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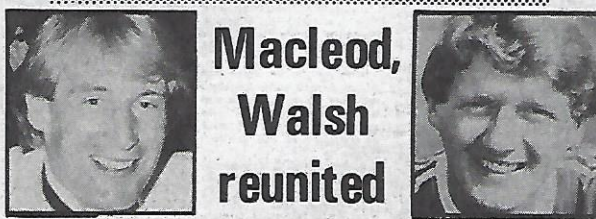
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Don Macleod

Colin Walsh

It was with much concern that Heidelberg-Alexander stopper Don Macleod read early this year that his old mate, Colin Walsh of Nottingham Forest, had broken his neck.

The reported injury occurred against Norwich City, after Walsh had scored a hat-trick.

"I got onto the phone to Scotland straight away and luckily, it turned out that although Colin had been injured, it certainly wasn't as bad as the papers made out," said Macleod.

He and Walsh were reunited when Forest visited Melbourne. Macleod was captain of the Forest reserves at the time Walsh first joined the club from Scotland.

They were flat-mates for a while, before Macleod decided to join his brothers Don and Frank in Australia.

"It was unfortunate for Don. He certainly had the ability, but when he was there, Forest

was winning European Cups and the like, and it had a lot of players like big Larry Lloyd, who played in Don's position," Walsh said.

But back to that reported injury.

"You can imagine how my parents felt, when they picked up the paper in Scotland and read that I'd broken my neck," Walsh said.

"It's typical of the English Press. They sensationalise everything. I was carried off after being hurt in that game against Norwich, but the Press didn't bother to check what was wrong with me."

Macleod often has expressed the desire to play for Australia, so perhaps if Forest ever visits again, he and Walsh will play against each other. "I hope so. I'll have a good game then," Walsh quipped.

Forest's players were fuming when they first arrived, because they had read that Soccer coach Frank Arok had expressed the opinion that Paul Hart was "slower than my grandmother." Hart was prevented by injury from proving Arok wrong, and Forest managed only to draw twice with the Soccerers.

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# WRANGLE OVER STRACHAN, LIAM BRADY TO SPURS?

Liam Brady's appearance for Tottenham Hotspurs in Keith Burkinshaw's testimonial game increases speculation that he is shortly to join the North London club.

• British champion Northern Ireland commenced its World Cup European Group Three programme with a 0-1 loss to Finland in Helsinki. A goal by Ari Valvee settled the issue.

• Trabzonspor is Turkish champion for the sixth time in nine years.

• Arthur Cox, who resigned as manager of Newcastle United a week earlier, has filled the vacancy at Derby County.

• Fluminense won the all-Brazilian Championship final, defeating Vasco da Gama 1-0. Fluminense is coached by Carlos Alberto Parreira, who resigned as Brazil's national team manager a month ago.

• Former Wollongong City and Fairy Meadow player Billy De Graf has joined Papanastasiou in the Rothmans' New Zealand National League.

• Nottingham Forest captain Ian Bowyer is the English Midlands "Player of the Year."

• Six members of the successful 1980 team are included in West Germany's squad for this month's European Championship finals.

• Gordon Jago has succeeded Terry Venables as manager of Queen's Park Rangers. This will be his second stint in charge of Rangers. The previous one was between 1971 and 1975.

• Sheffield United completed its three match tour of the People's Republic of China with a 100% record.

• Italy, Rumania and West Germany have replaced holders Czechoslovakia, USSR and East Germany respectively in the Olympic Finals.

• UEFA has announced that it no longer will hold European Champions' Cup and European Cup Winners' Cup finals on the home ground of a participating club. The decision was made following much criticism about the staging of this season's Champions' Cup decider on AS Roma's own turf.

• With its 2-0 win at Wembley, the USSR became the 10th foreign team to beat once invincible England on its own soil.

• Goals by Alain Giresse and Bernard Lacombe gave France a 2-0 victory over Scotland at Mar-seilles.

• Real Madrid has appointed former captain Amancio Amaro to succeed Alfredo Di Stefano as coach. In recent years, Amancio has been in charge of Real's nursery team Castilla.

• Dinamo Bucharest completed a league cup "double" in Rumania when defeating neighbour Steaua in the Cup Final.

• Tulsa Roughnecks have at last appointed a successor to Terry Hennessey. He is former Dutch international defender Wim Suurbier.

• Harry Hibbs, one of Eng-

land's finest ever goalkeepers, has died. Hibbs won 25 caps between 1930 and 1935.

• Sweden opened its World Cup campaign with a 4-0 victory over Malta in a European Group Two qualifying game.

• European soccer fans' disenchantment with international friendlies was illustrated by attendances for two such games recently. Only 8,000 watched Eire and Poland, while 5,000 turned out for Hungary v Norway. Appropriately, both ended in scoreless draws. Just 3,000 watched Portugal playing Yugoslavia in Lisbon last week.

• Inter Milan and Newcastle are interested in Glasgow Rangers defender John McClelland, currently on tour here.

• A row in brewing over which club Gordon Strachan will play for next season and the West German F.A. has sent a strongly worded letter of complaint to the Scottish F.A.

• Aberdeen and Manchester United have agreed terms and the Scotland star expects his future to lie at Old Trafford. But not if Bundesliga giant Cologne has its way.

• The Germans allege that Strachan already signed a form for them just before he agreed to move to England. The situation won't be resolved until June 30 when Strachan's contract with Aberdeen expires and should wrangle fail to be resolved by negotiation then no doubt UEFA will step in and bring down a ruling.

• Former Northcote City player Colin McCurdy is serving a seven year prison sentence for various offences, including armed robbery and defacing the post at one of his previous clubs, Linfield.

• Ray Wilkins' three year contract with AC Milan is believed to guarantee the players \$870,000 and Manchester United will receive a transfer fee of almost \$3 million.

• Cesar Luis Menotti will not be renewing his contract as coach of Barcelona when it expires on June 30. His successor, Terry Venables, is reportedly getting \$400,000 a year. The Mexican federation is reported to be offering Menotti a position as national team coach.

• Liverpool's third successive English League title success has enabled it to emulate Huddersfield Town (1923-28) and Arsenal (1932-35).

• United States' national team manager Willie Ormond is dead. Before taking up management he was a member of Hibernian's "Famous Five" forward line and won six caps in the 1950s.

• Tottenham Hotspur faces the prospect of a substantial fine for fielding its entire reserve team in a league fixture at Southampton two days before the first leg of its UEFA Cup Final against Anderlecht.

• Five players were sent off and five booked during a Spanish League Cup derby game between Real and Athletic Madrid.

• With all its key players suspended as a result of recent bribery revelations, Standard Liege was no match for Gent in the Belgian FA Cup Final and went down 2-0.

• Ian Wallace has agreed personal terms with French club Breest and will join it from Nottingham Forest before the commencement of next season.

• Hamburg signed Aberdeen striker Mark McGhee for 280,000 pounds. Dundee United paid 90,000 pounds for St Johnstone's signed Stuart Beattie. Hearts signed Celtic full-back Brian Whitaker for 25,000 pounds; St Mirren defender John McCormack moved to Dundee, with Peter Mackie going to Love Street.

• Fernando Morena, the brilliant Uruguayan striker, has joined Argentina's River Plate on a one year loan.

• Northern Ireland's success in this year's British International Championship was only its third ever outright, but second within five years.

• VfB Stuttgart won the West German Bundesliga title by virtue of having a better goal difference than holder SV Hamburg and will be making its debut in the European Champions' Cup next season.

• Although it beat Wrexham 2-1 in the Welsh Cup, Shrewsbury Town will not participate in next year's European Cup Winners' Cup. As only clubs from within the principality are allowed to represent Wales, it is Wrexham which can look forward to a cam-

By PAUL MOON



Gordon Strachan of Aberdeen and Scotland — off to England or Germany?

paign in Europe — though probably a brief one.

• Former Manchester United and England winger Steve Coppell was appointed manager of English club Crystal Palace last week.

It is the first managerial appointment for the 28-year-old Coppell, whose playing career ended prematurely but a knee injury.

Palace dismissed previous manager Alan Mulvey, another former England inter-

• Charlton Athletic, which narrowly avoided bankruptcy earlier this year, is not out of the wood yet — its current debts total \$3,400,000.

• Former giant St Etienne will play in the French Second Division next season. It failed to grab its last lifeline when defeated 2-0 by Racing Club Paris in a promotion — relegation play-off.

• Accident prone West German midfielder star Bernd Schuster appears certain to miss the European Championship finals after sustaining yet another injury.

• Eric Gerets' suspension for bribery offences has been cut from three years to two years by the Belgian Federation. Gerets will therefore be eligible for the World Cup finals in 1986, should Belgium qualify and FIFA does not impose further penalties.

• Borussia Dortmund has signed Swiss international defender of midfielder Andre Egli from Zurich Grasshoppers for a fee believed to be in the region of \$300,000.

• UEFA fined Juventus \$25,000 following crowd disturbances at its European Cup Winners' Cup semi-final home game against Manchester United.

• Former Liverpool and Scotland midfielder Peter Cormack has resigned as manager of Partick Thistle, following the "Jags" failure to win promotion into the Scottish Premier Division.

• Former Australian national team coach Josef Venglos has been dismissed as manager of Sporting Lisbon.

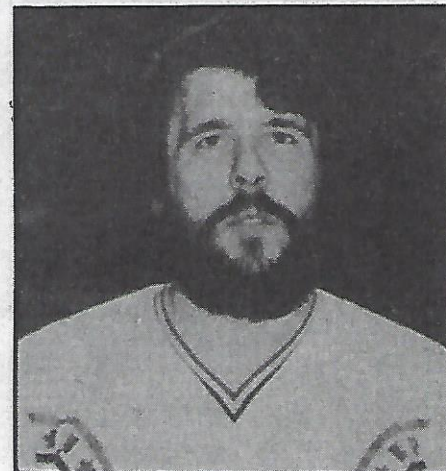
• West German sweeper Gerd Strack will miss the European Championship finals this month having suffered a groin injury which required an operation last year.

• Surely the "Blue of the Season": The former president of Algeria's federation forgot to confirm that his country's team would be travelling to Switzerland for an "A" international recently and when the team arrived in Bern it found that Sweden had been flown in as a replacement! Upon his return to Algiers, the official was dismissed.

• Levski Spartak won the Bulgarian Cup for the 14th time when defeating Taldia Plovdiv 1-0 in the final.



## SOCCER AROUND THE WORLD



Former Belgium captain Eric Gerets. The Belgian has reduced Gerets' suspension from three to two years. He was suspended last year after investigation into bribery allegations.

## Tottenham must rue letting Souness escape its grasp

By PAUL MOON

Liverpool captain Graeme Souness could take particular pride when he held the European Champions' Cup aloft in Rome's Olympic Stadium, for it was his performance in midfield which did much to thwart AS Roma's intended springboard to victory — the flair of Toninho Cerezo and Roberto Falconio.

He certainly earned his winners' medal — the 14th in a career which was almost terminated before it had hardly begun.

After an outstanding performance for Scotland against England at Tottenham Hotspur's ground, the North London club swooped to sign the 15 year old on an apprentice basis; although he had been training twice a week with Glasgow Celtic.

Souness was hailed as the "New Dave Mackay" when starting for Tottenham's FA Youth Cup winning side of 1963-70, but failed to make the progress anticipated.

Inability to win a first team place and homesickness led to him returning to Scotland without his club's knowledge.

Only upon the intervention of a Scottish Footballers' Union representative was Souness persuaded not to give soccer up and he rejoined Spurs, which suspended him for two weeks without pay.

This somewhat harsh treatment even provoked questions in the House of Commons and only increased the Scot's determination to leave London.

Negotiations with his home town club Hearts broke down, but in December, 1972, Souness moved to Middlesbrough for \$60,000. He had made just one senior team appearance — as substitute during a UEFA Cup game in Iceland.

At Middlesbrough, Souness came under the influence of manager Jack Charlton, who made him appreciate that he could earn the game's richest rewards if willing to work upon developing a rare natural ability.

Not only did the former England centre half change Souness' attitude, he also switched the Scot's position from left sided linkman and occasional full back to centre of midfield, where his energy, determination, skill and shooting power would be best utilised and a lack of pace least exposed.

In Souness' first full season with Middlesbrough, it won the Second Division championship and, a few months later, he made his senior international debut against East Germany, after only two under-23 games.

It even became obvious

that his full potential could not be realised with Middlesbrough and, reluctantly, he sought a transfer. In January, 1978 Liverpool brought him to Merseyside for a fee of \$704,000 — then a record transaction between English clubs.

Just five months later, Souness was playing a vital part in Liverpool's Champions' Cup final victory over Bruges — and it has been success following success ever since.

His omission from Scotland's disastrous opening games of the 1978 World Cup Finals against Peru and Iran caused much consternation amongst public and media alike and the devastating performance he gave during the subsequent match with Holland proved just how big a mistake Scottish manager Ally MacLeod had made.

From that time, his absences from international duty have been rare and he appeared in all three of Scotland's 1982 encounters in Spain.

Generally regarded as the best round midfielder in Britain — a gift to read the game perfectly more than compensates for limitations in speed, Souness already was the hub of the Liverpool team when he became its captain early in 1982, when it was going through a rough patch.

Inspired by his Spanish leadership, Liverpool



ended the season with both the league championship and League Cup.

Soon afterwards, Scotland appointed Souness its captain too.

Just turned 31, he may have won more accolades than most players even dream about, but this true professional will have no problems motivating himself with fresh challenges.

Liverpool and Scotland captain Graham Souness, in action for his country during the 1982 World Cup finals in Spain. Souness has made over 40 appearances for Scotland in the background is OA Blokhin, a legendary figure in Soviet soccer. Picture by SHORROCK.



Wim Suurbier



Cesar Menotti



...the finals of the European Championships ended off yesterday (Saturday) in France. In and Portugal two of the lesser teams in the finals, however, as AL-TO PONTES and PASCAL FLETCHER reporters report, the challenge from the Iberian peninsula may far greater than observers believe. Both Spain and Portugal combine a skill and flair. Some of the best players in the history of soccer have worn their colors...

# Befica's Nere out to break Eusebio's record

By ALBERTO PONTES

Portugal, out of the soccer limelight since finishing third in the 1966 World Cup finals in England, will be eager to make an impact when it returns to major competition in the European Nations' Cup finals starting in Paris this week.

The present Portuguese side may lack the glamour of the 1966 team which was so richly embellished by the skills of Eusebio, but it qualified for the finals in style, winning five of its six matches and eliminating the powerful Soviet side.

Eusebio remains his country's most famous soccer name and he is in France in a public relations role. While there he will almost certainly see his record number of Portugal international appearances fall to perhaps the best known member of the current side, striker Tamagmini Nene of Benfica.

The Angolan-born Jordao are also dangerous front players.

The defence comprises mostly players from the Porto team — Joao Pinto, Lima Pereira, Eurica and Eduardo Luis — which conceded only nine goals in 21 league games last season.

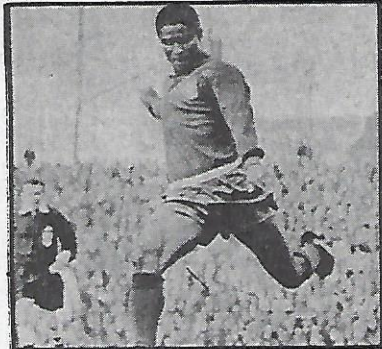
Surprisingly, many of the players who helped Portugal to victory during the qualifying matches against Finland, Poland and the Soviet Union have been excluded from the squad, Cabrita, a former Portugal international himself, justifies this by saying his committee has

picked the players in the right form at the right time.

"We will overcome the lack of a superstar with the collective force of a truly homogeneous team," Cabrita says.

Portugal may be widely regarded as one of the weaker teams in the finals but its supporters think otherwise.

A recent survey in a leading national sports newspaper, Gazeta Dos Desportos, showed that only 10.4 per cent felt the team would be eliminated in the first round and 15.4 per cent said Portugal would go all the way to its first major title.



The great Eusebio, in action for Portugal.

## Chinaglia buys big

Warner Communications has agreed to sell 50 percent of the Cosmos to Giorgio Chinaglia, according to Chinaglia, a former captain of the team, and Peppo Pinton, a vice president of the Cosmos and formerly Chinaglia's business manager.

Rafael de la Sierra, the president of the Cosmos, would neither confirm nor deny the sale. Steve Ross, chairman of Warner, failed to return phone calls.

Chinaglia, who commented before leaving for Rome a fortnight ago, said that he had met with Ross and that Ross had wanted him to run the team. But Chinaglia said he had insisted on being a part-owner as well, and that Ross had agreed.

Chinaglia would not disclose financial terms, but reports have placed the price of the franchise between \$10 million and \$15 million.

Chinaglia originally planned to appoint Chinaglia as president of the Cosmos after Chinaglia's retirement at the end of last season, but Chinaglia instead purchased the Lazio team of Rome and is now its president.

## Rufer back; new boys for Kiwis

New Zealand coach Allan Jones may have given an indication of his likely World Cup line-up with his squad for the "President's XI" game against Glasgow Rangers in Auckland last Saturday.

As it was not a full New Zealand representative side, Jones took the opportunity to include players who have yet to be naturalised, but are likely to be eligible when the series against Australia, Israel and Taiwan commences.

Into this category come Englishmen Kevin Hagan (Napier City Rovers), Colin Walker (Gisborne City) and Paul Halford (Napier City Rovers). Walker, the former Barnsley and Doncaster Rovers striker, is a particularly noteworthy addition.

A player of proven ability, whose credits include a goal against Liverpool, he joins Steve Wooddin and Wynton Rufer in a strike force which must have New Zealand soccer fans drooling with anticipation following the ineptitude displayed in this area during the Singapore fiasco.

Wooddin, who announced himself unavailable for further international duty just over a month ago, has changed his mind and, to give the Kiwis further encouragement, Wynton Rufer returning from Switzerland stated he would be free to play in all World Cup matches.

With Wooddin, Rufer and Walker spearheading the side, New Zealand's prospects look considerably brighter than they did a few weeks earlier.

PAUL MOON

## COSMOS K.O. JAPANESE!

From ALEX YANNIS of the N.Y. TIMES NEWS SERVICE

The Cosmos erupted for four goals after a scoreless first half and captured the fifth annual Trans-Atlantic Challenge Cup in New Jersey last week with a 4-1 victory over Udinese of Italy.

A crowd of 34,158 watched the Cosmos dominate the Italians in the second half, with Alan Green, Dragan Vujovic, Stan Terlecki and Gerry Gray scoring in that order for the Cosmos. Alberto Marchetti tallied the lone goal for the Italians. Barcelona of Spain won the consolation from Fluminense in the opening game of the double-header at Giants Stadium.

"After we scored five against Barcelona and four against the Italians," said Vlado Bogicevic, the captain of the Cosmos, "maybe people are beginning to believe we are not kindergarten any more. We've looked like a team the last two games."

The Cosmos were rather impressive in the 5-3 victory over Barcelona in the opening round of the tournament, but they were even better in the last 20 minutes against Udinese. With Bogicevic, Gray, Chico Borja and Andy Parkinson, who replaced the injured Borja in the 78th minute, operating methodically in midfield, the Cosmos picked apart Udinese's experienced defence.

"We had to have patience and keep grinding away," coach Eddie Firmani said. "Our midfielders did well to get the ball to the forwards at the right time."

The Cosmos became progressively better in the second half, particularly after Firmani inserted Vujovic in place of Green in the 62nd minute. Vujovic made Firmani look like a genius as he broke a 1-1 deadlock two minutes after he entered. The goal was the culmination of a marvelously executed one-two with Bogicevic, which turned the Italians inside out.

Vujovic's goal from six metres away on the left side, after the return pass from Bogicevic, delighted the crowd, but Terlecki, in the 77th minute, was the play of the afternoon.

It started with Jeff Durgan, who replaced the injured Johan Neeskens in the 63rd minute, winning a battle in midfield and pushing the ball long on the right to Steve Moyers. The "cross" from Moyers found the path of Terlecki, who volleyed it on the



Vladislav Bogicevic runs into the roof of the net from inside the penalty area.

Moyers and Bogicevic combined for Gray's goal that sealed the Cosmos' third Trans-Atlantic Cup championship. The tournament has yet to be captured by a foreign team. Seattle won in 1981 and Chicago in 1982. This was the first time only one team represented the North American Soccer League.

This tournament had the strongest teams," Neeskens said, "And we won clearly. We beat Barcelona and Maradona, and we beat Udinese that beat Fluminense."

The game may have been the last with Barcelona for Diego Maradona, widely considered the best player in the world. Napoli of Italy has reportedly made a bid of \$8 million for Maradona, who was transferred from Boca Juniors in Argentina two years ago for \$9.2 million.

Barcelona captured the consolation game by converting all five of its penalty kicks. Fluminense scored four out of five penalties after the teams had played a 2-2 tie in normal time.

The Cosmos and Hubert Birkenmeier, their all-star goalkeeper who became a free agent after he refused to take a 45 percent cut in salary, have reached an impasse in their negotiations for his return.

## Spain, still haunted by the memory of failing before its own fans in the 1982 World Cup, will be seeking to win back its reputation and pride in the European Nations' Cup finals in France.

The Spanish squad is riding high on a wave of euphoria after thrashing Malta 12-1 last December and saving itself from what looked like certain elimination from the finals.

The Malta game was the last of Spain's qualifying group in which closest rival the Netherlands had amassed an apparently insurmountable lead on goal average. The Spaniards had all but resigned themselves to not going to Paris.

But they stunned the Dutch and surprised themselves by blasting 12 goals past the luckless Maltese to qualify.

The victory stirred memories of Spain's greatest soccer achievement 20 years ago when it won the European Nations' Cup by beating the Soviet Union 2-1 in the final in Madrid.

Spain's qualification is a triumph for manager Miguel Munoz who took over after its humiliating elimination in the second round of the World Cup two years ago.

With the fans' shouts of "Yes, yes, yes, we're going to Paris" still ringing in their ears, 62-year-old Munoz and his 20-man squad played a series of warm-up games against Switzerland, Hungary and Yugoslavia before the finals.

A 4-0 victory in a rain-drenched friendly against Switzerland showed Spain had lost none of its new-found enthusiasm for goal-scoring ability.

But against a dour and awkward Hungarian side in Budapest it looked less convincing, and could only manage a 1-1 draw.

Spain has been drawn against Romania, Portugal and title holder West Germany in the opening round of the finals.

In his choice of squad, Munoz has opted for a powerful blend of youth and experience, calling on World Cup veterans like goalkeeper and captain Luis Arconada and centre forward Carlos Santillana as well as a clutch of promising youngsters.

These include under-21 midfielder stars Francisco Lopez and Sevilla and Valencia's Roberto Fernandez who will be keen to make their mark in the senior side.

Apart from Santillana, whose ability to outjump the loftiest goalkeepers and defenders has earned him the nickname "Puma", midfielder Rafael Gordillo is one of the most popular Spanish players.

The 27-year-old Real Betis star looks uncoordinated and plays with his socks round his ankles, but his tireless running and intuitive reading of the game make him an enormous asset.

He is likely to combine on the left with his good friend, Real Madrid defender Jose Antonio Camacho.

The final line-up is expected to include Barcelona's sturdy workhorse Victor Munoz and Zaragoza's Juan Antonio Senor who is currently being groomed as the team's midfield "brain", but has so far failed to live up to his full international potential.

Spanish soccer is known for its uncompromising defensive play and although central de-

## Will Spaniards bury the memory of '82 failure?

By PASCAL FLETCHER



Spain's captain Luis Arconada tries to smother this shot from West Germany's Pierre Littbarski during the 1982 World Cup finals.

fender Andoni Goikoetxea has appeared only nine times for his country, he has already won a formidable reputation as an ice-cold and rock-hard opponent.

Goikoetxea is expected to be flanked by his Athletic Bilbao team-mate Santiago Urkiaga. Sporting De Gijon's Antonio Maceda and Camacho, providing a solid defence backed by Arconada, who boasts 54 caps.

Up front, Santillana's place looks certain, but his most likely partner, Betis' Hipolito Rincón, suffered a groin injury in the game against Hungary

and is doubtful for the finals.

Real Madrid's 21-year-old prodigy Emilio Butragueno is tipped to replace him. A shy youngster, he was Real's discovery of the season and his sharp skill and scoring ability for the under-21s are known to have caught the manager's eye.

Alternatively, Munoz can call on Bilbao's Manuel Sarrabia or the Barcelona duo of Francisco Carrasco and Marcos Alonso who are competent, but not outstandingly gifted strikers.

## Rare double eludes Moran



A three-day visit away from home cost Manchester United defender Kevin Moran the unusual distinction of being a dual football representative against Australia.

Not in the usual rugby codes but the rare double of Gaelic football and soccer.

The Dublin-born Moran, is a key player in the United line-up.

"I had the opportunity to play for Dublin against Australia in 1977 in a representative match which was a mixture of Gaelic football and Australian rules," he said.

"But Billy Behan, the chief scout for Manchester United, talked me into visiting Manchester for a three-day trial with the club and I had to miss the Dublin game."

Moran had concentrated on Gaelic football and played in a number of all-Ireland finals. He also was selected in the All Stars representative side which toured the United States in 1976.

He was 21 when he joined the Red Devils, a late age to make a debut in the strongly competitive English First Division.

"I wouldn't have trailed if it had been any other team but there was and still is a certain charisma about Manchester United that makes the blood tingle," he said.

"At times it spills over into practical jokes among team members but there is never any bad feelings, even though we did get one player to stand in the rain one night in reply to a mythical call from a journalist seeking an interview."

"Everyone is a joker in the team, including Gordon McQueen who can look so solemn when talking, but the joking doesn't spill over onto the field."

"It stops well before a match and every game is treated seriously. Like the English First Division, it's win or nothing."

Moran is now 28 and will marry in December. His first

meeting with his fiancée, Eleanor Hughes, lasted 30 seconds at a club meeting.

Eleanor was studying clothing technology at Manchester and had never seen a game of soccer. She is now a regular at Old Trafford for United's home games.

The transition from Gaelic to soccer was not difficult for Moran because he kept his same position of centre half back and adopted the same role of attacking defence.

"I like to see the opposition in front of me and prefer to come forward. It also earned seven goals for me during last season," he said.

— TED SIMMONS

## First loss in six years!

Scarsdale High School's girls' soccer team in New York has done something it hasn't done during the six years the school has fielded a team. It lost.

John Jay High School of Cross River last month ended the longest unbeaten streak ever held by a girls high school soccer team, by beating The Raiders 1-0.

Previously, Scarsdale had won 107 games and tied two.

"We hope we handled our first loss with as much class as our first 107 wins," said coach Art Resnick, who has guided the team since its inception in 1979.

"We lined up on the field and shook hands with John Jay, who deserved to win. Our kids were upset and we'll probably cry to night, but it's only a game and we'll be back playing tomorrow."

The streak had been certified as a record by the National Soccer Federation. The team's winning streak of 85 games, also a record, ended two weeks ago in a tie with another John Jay High School of East Fishkill.

Resnick attributed the team's streak to hard work, productive practice sessions, a commitment to playing the best it could, and exemplary team play.

"We'll be ready to play again," Resnick said. "Life goes on."



# XIPOLITAS QUILTS!

Canterbury coach John Xipolitas quit after watching his side get hammered 4-1 by Sutherland at the weekend.

However, the Canterbury committee hadn't decided whether or not to accept Xipolitas's resignation as we went to press.

Sutherland's win gave it a top four spot on goal difference from Auburn-Uruguay.

Inter-Monaro still is the league leader after cruising to a 3-1 win over Avala at Knight Park. And Seb Giampolo and Tony Brennan weren't in the Monaro line-up! Pity help Avala if these two top class strikers had been playing.

Manly, in second spot, maintained its unbeaten record by drawing 0-0 with Rockdale Ilinden. Manly has a game in hand on Monaro. That's against Warringham and should, as expected, Manly pick up the points, it will grab top spot.

## Sutherland 4 Canterbury 1

Scorers: Dounis (Cent), Groom 2, C. Rogers, Stoddart (Sub).  
Venue: Seymour Shaw.

Nigel Groom scored two goals to pave the way for his side to demolish Canterbury at Seymour Shaw Park.

John Stoddart and Craig Rogers added one goal each to maintain Sutherland's "midfield power" in this match. All four home teams goals came from midfielders.

To add to Canterbury's woes, John Xipolitas, its coach, decided to call it a day, resigning his post after the match.

It was the second hammering for Canterbury in the last four weeks, an unacceptable situation for this Greek-supported club. Xipolitas, who at one time coach Sydney Olympic, could not fault his players.

"They did not play badly against Sutherland, yet the scoreline suggests just that. A week ago we should have been beaten by Auburn when we did play badly. It is all so frustrating for me. I resigned due to the lack of good results, but it is up to the committee to decide what to do from here on," said the likeable Xipolitas.

Well, while Canterbury suffered its third defeat of the season Sutherland has hit form at the right time.

Louis Dounis scored his

fourth of the season to put his side ahead early, but Sutherland was to assume its superiority and take a 2-1 lead at half time. Soon after half time, John Petas hit the crossbar with a scorching from 20 metres, but the further this match went the better the home side played.

Peter Terry came on for John Stoddart in the 85th in what most saw as a defensive move by coach John Lavin, but the ex-Saint showed up well in midfield.

## Manly Warringham 0 Rockdale Ilinden 0

Venue: Cromer Park

When neither side wants to lose then a simple but very definite defensive pattern is evident with very few goal-mouth incidents and very few chances created.

Rockdale did have an upper hand in the last five or six minutes when all looked lost for Manly but a poor header from Ross Brown went past the post and a series of corner kicks weren't capitalised on as Manly's unbeaten record remained intact.

Bobby Pagano was once again the star for the home team with yet another fine performance while Robbie Stuart played well up front. Stocky John Dick and uncompromising Bruce Doyle helped to keep Rockdale's Brown at bay, but Duddley Fox put in another disappointing performance.

For Rockdale, apart from Brown, most impressive were Naste-ski, Slavski and Grasevski in midfield as well as Kotzohambos in goal, whilst Darren Wilson was amongst the best in defence.

## Avala 1 Inter Monaro 3

Scorers: Monterosso 22nd, Willox 53rd, Valeri 65th, Budini 87th.  
Venue: Knight Park.

Inter Monaro registered its seventh win of the season but not after some stubborn resistance from the home side. In fact, Avala held the favoured Inter to a single goal difference at the break and with a very strong wind at its back in

## NSW State League with ALEX VESIC

the second half looked like getting back on even terms.

However, Billy Willox and Walter Valeri dispelled any doubts about the final outcome with second half goals, aided by some sloppy goalkeeping by Peter Ahrens. It was an off-day for the usually reliable Ahrens and he was replaced with 20 minutes remaining.

Angelo Monterosso made himself known to Avala with an exceptional burst of speed to run around De Silva before lobbing Ahrens from an acute angle in the 22nd minute. It was his sixth goal this season and certainly the one that will keep his confidence high.

Billy Willox added another after 53 minutes following a free kick. It appeared that the distance was just a little too much for Willox to attempt a shot at goal but the Avala keeper reacted slowly and it was 0-2. Some 12 minutes later and yet another long range shot went past the keeper, this time from Walter Valeri. Ricky Budini made it 1-3 with only minutes left from a melee inside Inter Monaro penalty area.

## Polonia 2 Warringham Narabeen 1

Scorers: Thomas 3rd, Fogarty 81st, Rylands 55th.  
Venue: Chapin Park.

"Chopin would have turned in his grave had been at this game, it was just not a tune that anyone would appreciate," sounded one of the disappointed officials, following Polonia's narrow win over Warringham.

Neither side showed enough to warm up a handful of spectators at Chapin Park and a mystery certainly surrounds this fine outfit from Canley Vale.

Warringham Narabeen, ever ready to experiment, yet again made changes to its side. Missing were Paul and Allan Dean, Sarge and Taylor. And while one could not complain about the standard of replacements in this Warringham side, particularly that of the skilful David Jack (on loan from Manly), it was apparent that cohesion in the Warringham side was just not there.

David Rylands, ex-St George, did manage to equal the score after 35 minutes and Warringham clung on until late in the match when Polonia's big Michael Fogarty came into the action to slam one home from close range and make it 2-1.

David Thomas had opened the scoring early in the match when he pounced onto a rebound following a shot by Henjek Kowalczyk.

## Ku-Ring-Gai 2 Yugal 1

Scorers: Jeffery 16th, 82nd, Jesse 92nd.  
Venue: Parklands Oval.

Glen Jeffery broke the drought for his side at Parklands Oval with a two-goal effort which lifted Ku-Ring-Gai into seventh spot. Had it not been for some brave keeping by Peter Berry of Yugal, Jeffery could have notched more goals.

After 15 minutes of some fine and constructive play by Yugal it was Ku-Ring-Gai and not the visitors who scored. Bertram and Jeffery raced downfield, exchanging one two's before Jeffery received the final pass close to the post and at an acute angle on the right hand side. Somehow, he managed to hook the ball over Berry and into the net.

During the second period Yugal had more of the play and Andrew Prentice was kept busy, then with Terry Bertram having to leave the field, Yugal assumed the dominating role. But it was Kurungai again which scored against the run of play with Jeffery getting onto the end of a free kick by Andy Tracey to make it 2-0. Jesse made it 2-1, three minutes into the injury period, then with seconds to the final whistle Rafael Marco hit the Post for Yugal.

## Bankstown-National 0 Auburn-Uruguay 0

Venue: Potts Park

Auburn remained undefeated in its last nine outings, but its fourth draw in succession didn't do much for its semi-final chances. The loss of this point to Bankstown allowed

Sutherland to go past Auburn on goal difference and get into the top four.

Bankstown, reeling from its last two losses, came back with renewed vigour to deny Auburn. With very little going for either side in the opening period it was Slav Planinic who almost gave away a goal after half an hour of play.

With Aytac Genc very close to the Auburn keeper, Planinic made a suicide back pass which landed at the feet of Genc. Rosano's desperate dive at the feet of Genc was successful, but had the youngster reacted immediately it would have been a goal to Bankstown.

With only 10 minutes to go, it was Genc again, with Rosano as his only opponent. Somehow Genc failed to control the ball and that was another chance blown.

But that was the sum total of Bankstown's effort on the day.

For Auburn, things did not work out as the side had hoped during the first 45 minutes. Maybe the side was hoping that Bankstown would tie down and take the sort of beating any bottom placed side is expected to.

It was a different story during the second period with Auburn almost scoring in the opening minute. Benalas turned and shot from inside the area only to see Lohman make a brilliant save.

Benalas had two more chances during this period but his finishing was below par. However, his general play was better than most of his team mates and he is certain to keep his first grade spot.

Chris Townson, listless during the first period, was replaced by O'Shane and this spurred on Auburn. Ray Carney was running rings around Agostino on the flank, sending useful crosses over and Lohman had his hands full.

The siege of Lohman's goal was particularly strong in the last 10 minutes with a series of corner kicks going Auburn's way. Much to the delight of the home side, none of those were effective, while some of the finishing by the Auburn players failed to reach the required standard.

State League ladder										
	W	D	L	F	A	Pts				
INTER MONARO.....	7	3	1	39	16	17				
MANLY WARRINGAH.....	6	4	0	21	4	16				
ROCKDALE ILINDEN.....	6	3	2	23	11	15				
SUTHERLAND.....	5	3	3	16	8	13				
Auburn-Uruguay.....	4	5	2	10	9	13				
Canterbury.....	4	4	3	12	12	12				
Ku-Ring-Gai.....	3	3	5	15	22	9				
Polonia.....	2	4	5	10	16	8				
Avala.....	3	2	6	17	27	8				
Yugal.....	1	5	5	12	18	7				
Warringham-Narabeen...	2	2	6	12	22	6				
Bankstown-National...	2	2	7	10	27	6				

## THIS WEEK'S GAMES

Sunday:

Cromer Park: MANLY/WARRINGAH v. BANKSTOWN/NATIONAL; Knight Park: AVALA v. CANTERBURY; Mona Park: AUBURN/URUGUAY v. YUGAL; Seymour Shaw: SUTHERLAND v. WARRINGAH/NARABEEN; Parklands Oval: KU-RING-GAI v. POLONIA; Hurstville: ROCKDALE/ILINDEN v. INTER MONARO.

**BANKSTOWN-NATIONAL 0 AUBURN-URUGUAY 0 at Potts Park.**

BANKSTOWN: Lohman 8, — Kennedy 7, Coates 8, Blackburn 7, Agostino 6, — Dutton 6, Meerban 7, Genc 5, Hasnic 7, — Parker 5 (Harmond 68th), Apenian 6 (Hassan 60th — 6).

AUBURN: Rosano 6, — Parfitt 7, Kelly 8, Planinic 6 (Watt 86th), Geeke 6, — Jones 6, Carney 8, Akoutas 7, — Townson 5 (O'Shane 49th — 7), Knight 9, Benalas 7.

**KU-RING-GAI 2 (Jeffery 16th, 82nd) YUGAL 1 (Jesse 93rd) at Parklands Oval.**

KU-RING-GAI: Prentice 7, — Bennett 6, Bertram 6 (Ings 78th), Watson 7, Jesse 6, — Quigley 6, Bourke 6, Dane 5 (Harper 62nd — 6), Tracey 6, — Jeffery 7, Bass 6.  
YUGAL: Berry 8, — Gogic 7, Forester 6, Clarke 7, Gibson 5, — Rodas 7 (Micevski 85th), Marco 7, Zivkovic 6 (65th Jesse 7), — Morsetto 7, Thammides 7, Tanovski 6.

**POLONIA 2 (Thomas 3rd, Fogarty 81st) WARRINGAH/NARABEEN 1 (Rylands 55th) at Chapin Park.**

POLONIA: Barker 7, — Pratt 5, Fogarty 7, Galus 7, Ovari 6, — Kowalczyk 7, Garlowski 6, Anderson 6, Juchniwicz 7 (Jordan 55th — 7), Lumsdaine 5, (Sobczyk 55th — 7), Thomas 8.  
WARRINGAH/NARABEEN: Duncan 6, — Griffin 8, Garrett 6, Collings 6 (Rylands 48th — 7), Earl 7, — Henley 5 (Sturges 70th), Jack 8, Bullock 7, — McLean 7, McDonagh 6, Sandner 6.

**AVALA 1 (Budini 87th) INTER MONARO 3 (Monterosso 22nd, Willox 53rd, Valeri 65th) at Knight Park.**

AVALA: Ahrens 5 (Thurlow 70th), Lucchesi 6, Budini 8, Mackenzie 6, Da Silva 7, — Duvnjak 6, Williams 6, Kador 6, — Mahamah 5 (Harris 46th — 5), Barton 6, Milne 6.  
INTER MONARO: Hocking 8, — Domazetovic 7, Ambrosino 8, Frances 7, Williams 7, — Willox 8, Santolin 6, Farrell 7, — Monterosso 7, Valeri 8, Djordjević 6.

**SUTHERLAND 4 (Groom 2, Rogers, Stoddart) CANTERBURY 1 (Dounis 20th) at Seymour Shaw Park.**

SUTHERLAND: Dart 7, — Hesford 7, Schumann 9, Dalforno 7, Nelson 7, — Stoddart 7 (Terry 65th), Groom 8, Rogers 7, Gray 5, Watkins 6, Hargraves 5.

CANTERBURY: El Zein 6, — Antonopoulos 7, Ertimides 7, Laws 6, (Piafi), Titis 6, — Hantzis 7 (Andreou 30th — 6), Anagnostopoulos 6, Joannidis 5, Hall 6, Dounis 6, Petas 6.

**MANLY WARRINGAH 0 ROCKDALE ILINDEN 0 at Cromer Park.**

MANLY WARRINGAH: Cassettari 7, — Plaud 6, Dick 7, Doyle 7, Williamson 6, — Pagano 8, Leak 7, Steven 6, — Stuart 7, Holloway 6, Fox 5.

ROCKDALE ILINDEN: Kotzohambos 8, — Bottalico 6, Pilovski 6, G. Wilson 6, — Grasevski 7, Nastevski 7, Slavski 7, Yousseph 7 (Karantovski 55th) — Brown 7, Jones 8.

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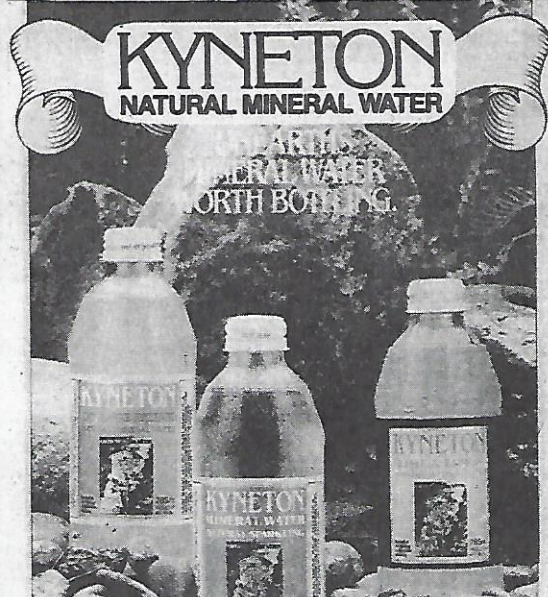
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CROATIA 2 (Brogan penalty 95th, 112th) BRISBANE LIONS 1 (McDonagh 104th) after extra time at Olympic Park No. 1. Ratings by Craig Mackenzie:  
MELBOURNE CROATIA:

Blasby 7 — Deankovic 6, Parton 8, Curcio 8, Hannah 7 — Biskic 7, Antolovic 7, Cumming 8, Gojevic 7 — Markovac 8 (Campbell 105th), Brogan 8. Coach: Tommy Cumming.  
BRISBANE LIONS: Farrow 8 — Jackson 7 (Daunt 98th),



Zdravko Lujic (centre) scores for JUST despite Adelaide Juventus goalie Willie McNally's attempt to smother. Serge Melta is at left. Pat de Vito is in the background. Picture by FRANK HOBBS.

## Last-gasp winner by Caban

**Foots JUST 3  
AC Juventus 2**  
Scorers: JUST: Lujic 48 min, Paton 70, Caban 118; AC: Maxwell 57 min, Talliercio 83. At Olympic Sportsfield. Crowd: 2300. Cautions: Curovic (JUST) Referee: A. Martell (SA) 5.

The scores were tied at 2-2 at the end of normal time. Both teams had chances to seal the game during extra time but it was JUST which eventually found the back of the net... a sizzling 18 metre volley by substitute Tony Caban just two minutes from the end of the second period.

The game came alive after a scoreless first half, with the home side having to come from behind twice to keep alive its chances of making it through to the semi-finals.

**Man of the Match:**  
**Vlatko Belic**  
(JUST)

JUST went ahead in the 48th minute after Juve's goalkeeper Willie McNally mistimed a cross in the box. The ball was added down for winger Zdravko Lujic who gleefully took his chance.

Juve midfielder Steve Maxwell levelled seven minutes later when he was left unmarked at the far post where he hammered in a corner.

JUST had looked the better side for most of the game. It had more players prepared to run, fight, and generally do things with the ball whereas Juve lacked method, particularly across the midfield where Italian import Nello Scarpa was left to weave the

creative work with his artistry. JUST regained the lead 20 minutes from full time with a sizzling free kick at the edge of the area by Jamie Paton.

But Juventus's gifted imports Scarpa and Talliercio combined for the equaliser. Scarpa floated a superb ball into the path of the fleet-footed Talliercio who headed the ball in from the far post.

Belic headed the ball into the net but the goal was disallowed when a linesman called the play offside — although it looked like a Juve defender had actually played Belic onside.

But it was Caban who had come on only at the start of extra time, who destroyed Juve's Cup hopes. Juve's keeper McNally had failed to effectively punch clear a high ball... and it fell for Caban, who beautifully struck the ball on the volley into an unguarded net.

— FRANK PANGALLO

## Vrzina new coach

**Melb Croatia 2  
Bris Lions 1**  
Scorers: Brogan penalty 95th, 112th (MC); McDonagh 104th (BL). Venue: Olympic Park. Crowd: About 1500. Referee: Chris Bambridge 8.

Tommy Cumming ended his stint as player-coach in style. His brilliant run in the second half of extra time set up the goal that gave Melbourne Croatia a thrilling 2-1 win in its National Cup quarter final clash with Brisbane Lions.

Croatia's new coach is Tony Vrzina. Cumming wants to concentrate upon playing, as he still wants to win selection to the national team.

Lions missed a great chance to take the lead in the first half when former national team defender Alan Niven blasted his penalty attempt well over the bar. The penalty was awarded after Jim McDonagh latched onto a bad back pass by Cumming and was tripped by Croatia goalkeeper Peter Blasby.

Croatia pounded the Lions goal in the final 10 minutes of normal time, but to no effect.

**Man of the Match:**  
**JOHN CHARLTON**  
(Brisbane Lions)

Jozo Antolovic headed wide from just four metres out. David Brogan, with just Farrow to beat, shot wide of the far post, then young Robert Markovac headed into the post in the 90th minute.

Croatia's dominance continued during the 30 minutes of extra time.

It hit the front in the 95th minute after Rod Vazquez handled a Steve Gojevic cross. Brogan converted from the penalty spot.

But Lions surprised by equalising in the 104th minute. Russell Stewart hammered a free kick past the Croatia defensive wall and onto the far post. The ball rebounded to McDonagh who slotted it past Blasby from six metres.

Then came Cumming's tremendous run. Josip Biskic played the ball wide to Cumming on the left. Cumming took off for goal, evading three tackles and

breaking clear. His shot struck Farrow but Brogan was on hand to tap the ball into the unguarded goal, and put Croatia into the semi-finals.

It was fitting that Cumming should play such a vital part in the decisive goal. He now relinquishes the coaching reins to Vrzina after his second stint as player-coach.

His first, late last year, resulted in Croatia winning the Dockery Cup and the State League Cup, two of Victorian soccer's premier competitions.

And after Terry Hennessey quit earlier this season, the Croatia committee once more looked to Cumming to take on the coaching responsibilities. Again he has done so with distinction.

For Lions, John Charlton's display as a stopper was superb. His physical presence alone and timely tackles are enough to command respect but he also showed a great ability to read the game and some of his touches were superb.

McDonagh and Steve Fulton never gave up but they didn't get enough support.

— CRAIG MACKENZIE

## National Cup quarter-finals

Charlton 8, Vasquez 8, Niven 7 — Junna 7, R. Stewart 7, Ogden 6, J. Stewart 6 — McDonagh 7, Fulton 6. Coach: Harry Noon.

**FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 3  
(Lujic 48, Paton 70, Caban 118) ADELAIDE CITY JUVENUS 2 (Maxwell 57, Talliercio 83) at Olympic Sportsfield.**

**FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.:** Boland 7, Curovic 7, Kyriakoulas 7, Tansey 7, Hazabent 8, Karic 7, McDonnell 7, Belic 8, Lacmanovic 7 (Caban 97), Paton 6, Lujic 7

(Simic 104). Coach: Cedo Cirikov.  
**ADELAIDE CITY JUVENUS:** McNally 6 — Cecere 8, Flounders 7, Melta 7, Nyskohous 7 — Maxwell 7, Scarpa 8, Villani 6 — Rankin 6 (Tobin 97), Mullen 7, Talliercio 7. Coach: Edmund Kreft.  
**NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD 3 (Milosevic 75th, 88th, Boogaard 79th) SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH 0 at Adamstown Oval.**  
**Ratings by Joe Lanzoni:**  
**NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD:** Dorman 7 — Maier 7, Boogaard 8, Power 6, Thompson 6 — Kerby 7, Senkalski 7,

Brandt 7 — Milosevic 8, Todd 8, Jones 7. Coach: Willie Gallagher.  
**SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH:** Clarke 7 — Rodriguez 6, K. Falconer 7, Gomez 7, Lynch 6 — Kay 6, P. Falconer 8, de Marigny 8 — Lea 7, Barnes 6, Murray 7 (Fletcher 82nd). Coach: Terry Smith.

**PENRITH CITY 0 ARIA LEICHHARDT 2 (K. Caban 2) at Cook Park. Crowd: 530. Ratings by Paul Goodwin:**

**PENRITH CITY:** Gibson 8 — Brogan 7, Hale 6 (Cross 35 6) Daley 7, McIntosh 6 — Nix 5, Wotherspoon 7, Fitcher 5 — Easthorpe 8, Jackson 6 (Hunter 62), Cotton 7. Coach: Willie Wallace.  
**ARIA-LEICHHARDT:** Parks 7 — Bozanic 7, Brown 7, van Egmond 8, Pullen 8, Tredinnick 8, Butler 6, de Ceglie 7 (Colagui 52, 6) Bradley 7 — Morsell 7 (Genovese 66). Caban 8. Coach: Fil Bottalico.

## CUP SEMS DEFERRED

As we went to press, the NSL hadn't fixed dates and venues for the semi-finals of the National Cup involving APJA Leichhardt, Melbourne Croatia, Newcastle Rosebud and Footscray J.U.S.T.

However, it seemed certain that the semi-finals would be held at the conclusion of the World Series Soccer tournament.

Newcastle Rosebud will play Footscray J.U.S.T. in a league match this Saturday at Adamstown Oval. This game has been brought forward from round 15, due to the unavailability of Adamstown Oval on the weekend of July 7 and 8.

**Man of the Match:**  
**DEREK TODD**  
(Newc. Rosebud)

**N. Rosebud 3  
S. C. Hakoah 0**

Scorers: Milosevic 75th, 88th, Boogaard 79th. Venue: Adamstown Oval. Crowd: about 1,350. Referee: Rob Davies 6.

Three fine second half goals gave Newcastle Rosebud a surprise 3-0 win over Sydney City Hakoah.

The game, despite wet conditions, was fast, open and entertaining with both teams prepared to attack the opponents' goal.

The Newcastle performance was in sharp contrast to the league game in which Sydney City Hakoah beat it 1-1 last month.

Hakoah was without seven of its top players, who are in the Australian squad.

But despite this, Hakoah was able to field very capable substitutes and club officials refused to make any excuses after the game.

Newcastle coach Willie Gallagher said after the game that Newcastle was starting to believe in itself and with a bit of luck could have scored another two goals.

There was some needle in the game with four players, three of them from Hakoah, receiving yellow cards.

Newcastle went into the game without regular goalie Clint Gosling, who chipped a

## Newcastle avenges 1-8 loss

bone in his knee at training last week.

But Steve Dorman, who was called up from the Adamstown First Division club for the game, played outstanding football and made several fine saves.

Newcastle scored its first goal in the 75th minute when striker Derek Todd did some fine lead-up work to centre the ball into the goal-mouth and Dino Milosevic beat Todd Clarke with his shot.

Four minutes later, David Jones crossed into the Hakoah goalmouth and defender Michael Boogaard headed the ball past Todd Clarke.

And then two minutes from full time, Milosevic broke away near halfway and beat Clarke to give Newcastle its third goal.

It was the climax to a magnificent period of attack by the Newcastle players who refused to close up the game when they got to the lead.

Shortly before, Todd had been unlucky to miss a goal when he weaved his way through and his shot shaved an upright.

Todd, Boogaard and Dorman were outstanding in the Newcastle side.

Defender Gerry Gomez, who conducted a minor running battle with Todd for most of the game, was one of Hakoah's top players and was well supported by Murray Barnes and Paul Kay.

## APIA home

**Penrith 0  
APIA 2**

Venue: Cook Park. Scorers: Caban 2. Cautions: Daley, Cotton (P), Caban (AL). Referee: Arthur Owens 5.

In a game filled with experienced and even veteran players, it was the South African-born 17-year-old Randall Easthorpe, who shone for Penrith with his enthusiasm and confident approach.

APIA had gone to the lead after 11 minutes and was able to take the lion's share of early possession.

Both Caban and Bradley had fired shots into the side netting during the opening exchanges and Vic Bozanic had tested Gibson with a powerful shot which the 'keeper did well to control before the visitors took the lead.

De Ceglie put over a high cross from the left which Bradley headed back into the goalmouth, finding Kerry Caban in a perfect position to also head the ball, this time finding the far corner of the net.

Ian Wotherspoon came close for Penrith after 42 minutes only to head the ball at the feet of Parks instead of beyond his reach. Nothing was going right for Penrith at this stage.

It was a different story after the interval with APJA looking sluggish for the first 20 minutes or so and Penrith showing more determination.

It was a first class move which brought the game to life.

**Man of the Match:**  
**RANDALL EASTHORPE**  
(Penrith)

Roy Cotton made space on the left, passed to Fitzharris and the cross was met on the volley by Easthorpe with the ball crashing fiercely against the angle of the upright and crossbar, with Parks stranded.

Two minutes later Parks was again exposed as Easthorpe grabbed a loose ball in the box and fired one first-time, only to see Vic Bozanic get his body in the way without knowing much about it.

APIA was still mounting a few attacks of its own as the second half wore on and Caban hit the side netting.

The second and decisive goal came out of the blue with Kerry Caban running onto a ball sent forward hopefully by the APJA defence and catching Penrith's central defenders off guard. Caban had little difficulty beating Gibson who took only a few token steps from his goal to narrow the angle and failed to prevent the passage of the ball into the empty net.

The solid and well-disciplined APIA team can take credit for this win as it never lost control even when Penrith looked like getting back into the game. APJA should prove a worthy opponent for any team it may face in the semi-finals.

— PAUL GOODWIN

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# McIntyre's turn to replace O'Connor

When Sunshine sacked Jim McIntyre in 1981, Dave O'Connor was appointed coach. It was ironic then that when Victorian State League club Broadmeadows last week sacked O'Connor, it should appoint McIntyre as his successor.

But Broadmeadows' move came as no surprise to O'Connor.

"I knew that I wasn't popular with the committee and that my head had been on the chopping block for the past few weeks," said the former Pan Hellenic, Brisbane Lions and Canberra player.

What is surprising is that at least seven weeks ago my colleague, Les Shorrocks, walked into our offices at "Soccer Action" and told me: "O'Connor's getting the bullet from Broadmeadows and Jim McIntyre's getting the job once he returns from Scotland."

I didn't believe Shorrocks. More fool me.

Shorrocks had been told of the pending move by a State League board of management member, who is a high ranking official at a rival State League club. It seems that not even the rapport between some club officials is strong enough to keep such information secret.

McIntyre, who has coached Broadmeadows in 1982 and 1983, returned from a holiday in Scotland about five weeks ago. Broadmeadows made its move on Monday, last week.

"I got a phone call from Peter Cardona, the secretary. He said that he wanted to see me the following day and that what he had to say really shouldn't be said over the phone," said O'Connor.

"I put it to him that I had been sacked and he confirmed my suspicions. He said that despite his attempts to hold

the committee off for weeks, they had finally decided to act.

"The committee wanted to have too much say. Although they didn't directly interfere in team selection, they always let me know what they thought about it. I used to get the odd phone call to let me know that the boys weren't happy. I'd ask: What boys? The answer would be: The committee. I'd reply: Stuff the committee, I'm only worried about the players."

Broadmeadows is in State League for the first time. It finished third in Metro First Division last year but won promotion due to the vacancies caused by the exodus of Green Gully, Croatia, Juventus and Sunshine George Cross to the National League. But things haven't worked out so far. Right now, Broadmeadows is propping up the State League ladder.

Perhaps the squad isn't good enough for State League. Perhaps O'Connor made mistakes. What does Cardona think?

"We felt that we weren't going anywhere... it's very hard to say really... the team didn't have enough spirit... maybe a change might bring back that spirit," he said, as he searched for an appropriate answer.

"Jim had been with us for two years and we know that he can get things moving. We're not pointing the finger at David."

O'Connor doesn't share Cardona's view about the lack of spirit among the players.

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

"I'd worked really hard at getting a good spirit among the lads. The atmosphere in the dressing room and at training had been great for the past few weeks even though the results weren't coming," he said.

So why sack O'Connor?

"Well, it's not entirely David's fault. He's not solely to blame for the situation we're in. I've got a lot of confidence in Jim. We had four names to consider as David's replacement but the other three would have had the same problems David had — having to start from scratch without knowing the players," said Cardona.

Does Broadmeadows need new players?

"Definitely," said Cardona. "We need at least two strikers. We're been in touch with a couple of players in Western Australia but one of them would cost us about \$8,000 and he's a visa player. We're also looking overseas."

So where does O'Connor go from here? He's been in Australia for 12 years and moved to Victoria, from Canberra, in 1979 to become player-coach of Richmond in the Metro Second Division. With O'Connor in charge, Richmond won promotion to Division One.

O'Connor signed as a player for Preston Makedonia in 1981 but missed the entire season due to a bad hamstring injury and late in the 1981 season took over from McIntyre as coach of Sunshine. The Shiners, under O'Connor, finished runners-up in the Dockerty Cup



Dave O'Connor, with the 1984 Broadmeadows squad. Back row: Charlie Bell (president), John Sandra, Joe Vissini, Renato Liberto, Dennis Pace, Lino Grech, Grant Smart, Sandro Penzo, Peter Donaldson, Peter Cardona (secretary). Front: Costiokos, Angelo Acosta, Lou Vaccaro, Tim Pocock, George Watson, Nigel Daniels, O'Connor. Missing: Stuart Blair. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

that year. More importantly, they avoided relegation. Broadmeadows no doubt will be hoping that McIntyre can do for it what O'Connor did for Sunshine.

O'Connor coached Morwell Falcons in 1983. It was the club's first venture into State League ranks. Nevertheless, playing an open, often exciting brand of soccer, Falcons finished fourth, and were beaten finalists in the State League Cup.

O'Connor claims that he has yet to be officially notified of his sacking by Falcons, who appointed Tony Boggi as coach for the 1983 season.

"Losing the Morwell job was a big blow to me. Despite the problems I had there I really enjoyed myself. We had a great bunch of lads and an

exciting team. I really felt that we could have won the title in 1983.

"It wasn't until I read in the newspapers that Tony Boggi had been appointed, that I found out that I'd lost the coaching job."

All that O'Connor received from Falcons was a letter, late in 1982. In part it read:

"We have just completed a very successful season, for which you deserve due credit. As coach, you were an inspiration to your players and made many friends within our club. We'd like to thank you on behalf of our club and we wish you every success in the future."

The letter was dated December 9, almost seven weeks

after O'Connor had read about Boggi's appointment.

O'Connor coached Bell Park last season in Metro First Division. Bell Park finished last but was saved from relegation by the re-organisation of the Victorian leagues caused by the four clubs who joined the NSL.

"Bell Park, being a Geelong-based club, needs a lot of money to attract the really good players from Melbourne. And the club doesn't really have that sort of money. Unfortunately for the soccer club it is just a small part of the huge Bell Park sporting complex."

O'Connor was appointed coach of Broadmeadows late last year.

"I told the committee that we needed players. We had

good players but not enough to hold our own in State League.

And injuries to Joe Vissini and Steve Ellis and the disappearance of Dragan Vasic didn't help.

"Vasic definitely could have done something for us. We lost by the odd goal against Polonia, Knox and Croydon. We created chances in those games and would have got results had we only had someone to stick the ball away. As far as I'm concerned, I've lost my job because we didn't have a finisher."

"But I still think that Broadmeadows can get themselves out of the situation they're in. They're better than a number of other State League sides from what I've seen this season, but the club just had to get someone up front who can take the chances."

O'Connor started playing again, about three weeks ago, with his old club Richmond. He's enjoying his return to the playing arena but still wants to pursue a coaching career despite the setback his ambitions have received from Broadmeadows.

Then again, at just 31 O'Connor has many years in which to bounce back.

This isn't the first time he's been sacked. It also won't be the last. As every coach in any part of the soccer world readily will tell you.



Forest goalie Hans van Brukel, with two young fans at the MCG. Picture by WALTER PLESS.

## Frank goes for skill and flair, Hans wants to oust Schrijvers

Here's what Hans van Brukel of Forest and Manchester United guest player Frank Worthington had to say when I caught up with them in Melbourne last week.

Pless: What are your views on the current state of the English national team?

Worthington: There are still some good players around in England, and there are some pretty good teams. It's just a pity that we can't put it all together nationally. Our international team is going through a bad spell at the moment and until they start playing all the best players in the country instead of those that can run all day but have only average ability, then we'll stay in decline.

Pless: You've always been regarded as one of the most



Frank Worthington

skillful players, the type to do flashy things in a match. Has this ever put you out of favour with managers who may prefer the harder, tougher type of player?

Worthington: To suggest that managers look only for harder-type players is nonsense. You've got to have your blend of skillful players and other players that can run about and work hard at the physical aspects of the game. But, you definitely have got to have your players with ability and skill.

Pless: Are you enjoying your tour as a guest player with Manchester United and what happens after this?

Worthington: I am enjoying the tour with United. They are a great club and I'm pleased to be able to play for them. I'll be joining Brighton for the next English season.

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Pless: Hans, what are your thoughts on English football?

Van Brukel: Competitive-wise, it's the best league in the world. Every game is so competitive, it's unbelievable. There are no easy games in the English League at all and that's what makes it so spectacular for the crowds.

By WALTER PLESS

Pless: Are there any differences in the skills of English players as compared to continental players?

Van Brukel: The individual skills of continental players are better than those of English players but the team performance of an English side is so solid. That's the reason why English sides are so hard to beat and why they are doing so well in European competition.

Pless: I believe you shortly will be leaving Nottingham Forest?

Van Brukel: Yes, I'll be joining PSV Eindhoven, the big club sponsored by the Philips company and, hopefully, I've made the right career decision, but, you never know.

Pless: Why are you returning to Holland?

Van Brukel: The main reason is so that I can play for my country again. When I left Holland to join Forest, I missed national team games because of injury and because I wasn't always released by the club. There's still the problem of the 26-year-old Piet Schrijvers in goal, but, I feel that I can become the number one.

Pless: Can Holland qualify for the 1986 World Cup?

Van Brukel: It might be possible because we're in a group with Austria, Hungary

and Cyprus, although we didn't do too well in the last couple of years. We should have made the Eurocup Champions this year. Our last year in Spain beat Malta by the extraordinary score of 12-1 to go through, when we should really have gone through. We're rebuilding now. We have a lot of youngsters and I'm one of the older lads and I'm just 27, so I think we'll have a bright future. Let's hope so anyway.

Pless: Has the great Johan Cruyff ever scored against you?

Van Brukel: I've only played against him in a friendly. My club, Utrecht, beat his club, the Los Angeles Aztecs, 4-1 and he scored their goal. When I played for Utrecht in the Dutch League, Cruyff was playing in Spain and in America. When he did return to play for Ajax, the day Utrecht were due to play Ajax, Cruyff was injured.

Pless: What are your impressions of Australian soccer?

Van Brukel: I was impressed with Western Australia, who we beat 4-1. We also played Australia in Adelaide and I think they did remarkably well. They look very fit and it will amaze me if they don't qualify for the World Cup. I don't think the countries in this region are physical enough to match Australia.

## Q'land, NSW want top overseas opponents

The success of the recent interstate clash between Queensland and New South Wales could lead to State sides playing international matches against overseas teams again.

played in Australia during the World Youth Championships in 1981 and last week qualified for the Los Angeles Olympic Games later this year.

Brusasco was adamant interstate competition was here to stay.

"We must be selective in planning interstate matches. There will always be an inter-

est in interstate matches against traditional rivals New South Wales and Victoria," Brusasco said.

"It is obvious these are the type of matches the public wants," he said.

A crowd of 5,000 watched New South Wales avenge last year's defeat by Queensland in

what QSF officials believe was one of the most successful promotions staged at Perry Park.

Last year Queensland beat New South Wales 3-0 after playing four trial games but this year, circumstances limited the team's preparation to one game together.

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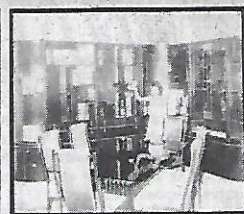
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Al momento di andare in stampa la Juventus di Torino ha giocato due partite in suolo australiano, contro il Manchester United a Sydney, contro l'Australia A a Melbourne: ancora due incontri con il verdeoro di Arok prima di concludere la tournée agli antipodi dovrebbero dare agli uomini di Trapattini maggiori possibilità di domare l'esuberrante formazione del socceros che in questo torneo internazionale ha dato prove abbondanti di essere una squadra temibile, specialmente dal lato agonistico e atletico.

A Sydney, contro un Manchester United in formazione rimaneggiata ma intenzionato a prendersi la rivincita per la sconfitta subita nella semifinale della Coppa delle Coppe, la Juventus ha incantato gli spettatori al Sydney Cricket Ground e i telespettatori in altre città d'Australia con un gioco fatto di virtuosismi, di incredibile controllo della palla, di impeccabile intensità. Gli avversari, rafforzati da un superlativo Worthington (in prestito dal Brighton), spesso sono rimasti esterefatti dalla magia bianconera, ma hanno saputo reggere il confronto grazie ad un gioco solido ed

una tenuta molto migliore della Juve che era arrivata a Sydney solo due giorni prima e non si era perciò rimessa dal lungo viaggio. A Sydney si era visto in azione Gentile che ha sprofeso tutti non solo per la maestria del suo gioco, ma per la sua impeccabile correttezza nonostante la fama di implacabile giustiziere. L'attentissimo Rossi ha offerto qualche spunto pregevole ed ha poi abbandonato il campo, sostituito da Koetting al 65', perché sofferente di influenza. Boniek, a sprazzi, ha dimostrato tutta la sua grande classe, mentre i "nuovi" Tacconi e Bonini

hanno brillato in modo particolare. Ma, essenzialmente, la partita di Sydney era una uscita amichevole fra due grandi squadre europee. La prova del juoco per la Juventus sarebbe arrivata a Melbourne contro la nazionale australiana smansiosa di dimostrare la sua validità in campo internazionale. Dal verdeoro, che sotto l'allenatore Arok stanno diventando una vera e propria formazione di forseannati asse-

tati di vittoria a tutti i costi, i bianconeri non potevano aspettarsi né vita facile né tanti complimenti. Circa 40.000 spettatori gremivano gli spalti del Melbourne Cricket Ground domenica scorsa per assistere alla partita. Arok aveva dichiarato con la sua spavalda sicurezza che i suoi ragazzi avrebbero affrontati i campioni italiani a



**Vitale Ferrante, winner of Soccer Action's British Tour Quiz, meets his hero, Claudio Gentile. Vitale, who plays for Fawkner under/12's, took the opportunity to discuss his trip with Gentile when the famous Juventus team trained at Fawkner last Saturday. If you would like to join Vitale and the rest of the boys on this fabulous Stephens Sport Travel holiday, ring Les Shorrocks on 605 4259 and get a free coloured brochure on all Stephens' soccer holidays.**

prende a pugni Watson. Era ovvio che il gioco deciso e duro dei socceros non andava tanto a genio ai bianconeri che davano pan per focaccia. Il malcapitato arbitro Johnston non sapeva più che pesci prendere, e con un eccesso di zelo per non deludere il pubblico accorso a vedere i campionissimi, lasciava correre scorrettezze su scorrettezze quando avrebbe potuto espellere almeno due giocatori per parte.

La partita degenerava perciò in uno scontro di una violenza inaspettata e continuava a ritmo di tambur battente a tutto vantaggio dei padroni di casa che in situazioni del genere sanno dare il loro meglio.

Dalla Juventus non ci si poteva aspettare la stessa disperazione e lo stesso fanatismo dei verdi, perciò gli ospiti hanno per lunghi tratti cercato di addormentare la partita con una serie di passaggi laterali e all'indietro.

## Ousted clubs appeal

**Victorian Provisional League clubs Cheltenham and East Carlton are appealing against their expulsion from the VSF.**

Cheltenham was expelled after investigations into alleged crowd disturbances at its home game against University of Melbourne on April 21 this year.

Cheltenham's appeal will be heard at Soccer House on June 21.

East Carlton was expelled after investigations into alleged crowd disturbances at its home game against Corrum on May 12. No date has been set for East Carlton's appeal.



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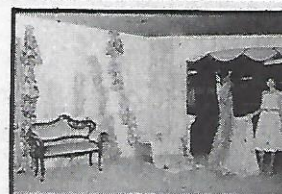
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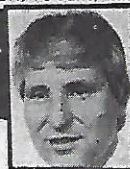
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## 2-1 Η ΚΛΑΡΙΝΤΑ ΤΟ ΜΟΝΑΣ ΚΑΙ ΣΕ ΘΕΩΡΗ ΑΝΑΠΝΕΩΣ ΑΠΟ ΤΟΥΣ ΠΡΩΤΟΥΣ

Με 2-1 νίκησε η Κλαρίντα το Μόναξ Γιουν. Εκτός έδρας και οι δύο βαθμοί της νίκης την έφεραν σε θέση άναυχτης από την Μκρόνιαν(21) που έχασε 3-2 από το Γ.Τ.Ρ.Χ. και το Μπάλλαρτ(22) που διέλυσε το Σέκπαρτον 6-0.

Η Ελληνική μας ομάδα είναι τώρα στην 3η θέση με 20 βαθμούς και όχι με 18 όπως έχει γραφτεί και που δρελταται σε λάθος από το αποτέλεσμα με το Μάλτον.

Το Μόναξ έπαιξε αρκετά σκληρά σε όλο το διάστημα της συνάντησης και κάπως άργα ο ρεφερέ συνήθισε να βάζει κάρτες.

Στο σπέρ (9') προηγήθηκαν οι γηπεδούχοι και η ομάδα του Κλάφτον Ισφορμς στο 18 με φάουλ του προπονητή και παίκτη Βασίλη Σωτήρη.

Αν και ήταν ανώτερη σε όλο το διάστημα η ελληνική ομάδα μας αναγκάστηκε να φτάσει στο 89' για να πάρει την νίκη με τόν Αποστολίδου.

Ήπιαν οι Κασίμης, Αρβανίτης, Κοντόν, Σίλιν, Μιλιοσίνι, Α. Παναγιώτης, Β. Παναγιώτης, Κόρτζης(72' σκόλε), Σ. Φιλίππης, Ν. Λοκιάδης, Αποστολίδου.

Η Β' ομάδα με τόν Κούτσικο πήρε το 1-1.

## ΚΑΙΣΤΡΟΝ ΧΙΛ: ΥΠΕΡΒΕΚΕ ΚΑΙ ΣΤΑ 90 ΛΕΙΤΑ ΕΠΑΙΣΕ ΣΩΣΤΑ ΤΟ ΜΟΝΟ ΛΕΙΤΑ

Οι παίκτες του Κλάφτον Χιλ όπνιαν στην 20η αγωνία και γενικά τους άποδελους τους και ένα άγννα πού δά μπουρσαν νά εχιν παρεί με 7-0 ή 8-0, τόν κέρδισαν τελικά με 3-1.

Φυσικά η νίκη μετράει και οι 2 βαθμοί με την διαφορά ότι ο άπομινός μερινόν παικτών της κυανόλευκου έκανε κακό στο σύνολο.

Από τα 90' της υπερχής μόνο 10 λεπτά οι παίκτες της Ελληνικής ομάδας έπαιξαν σωστό ποδόσφαιρο και βραδινό. Ήταν από τα 46' μέχρι τα 56' που πέτυχαν και τα 3 τέρματα.

Στη συνέχεια οι κυνηγοί του και τα προσημένα χάρ δεν μπουρσαν να βρούν τόν βρόμο για τα δίκτυα για να δεχθούν στο 90' πάλιν στο δίοπο υπέκυψε ο τερματοφύλακας Κόρτζος.

Δε σημειωθεί ότι από τήν ομάδα τών κυανόλευκων άπομινάζαν(τραυματίες)οι Κοντρέρα, Ντεντρίλιντον και Βαχάκης.

Τέ γκόλ πέτυχαν οι Φέκος, Στρατάνης και Πετρόπουλος.

Ήπιαν οι Κόρτζος, Μυστρίτης, Λορέντζι, Καρλίας, Οτοβί, Πετρόπουλος, Τηλέλης, Μπελγρίνο, Στρατάνης, Ανδριώτης(80') Παπαγεωργίου, Φέκος(80') Βυθολιάκης.

Καλύτερος παίκτης ήταν ο νεαρός Τηλέλης που πήρε σωστά και τούς 3 βαθμούς του ρεφερέ.

Η Β' ομάδα νίκησε 3-0.

Το Δεξάτο το Κλάφτον Χιλ δίνει ένα από τα πιά δόσολα παγκυνίου τόν. Άγανίζεταί στο Σπρινγκφιλντ με τήν τοπική ομάδα.

## ΑΥΤΕΓΓΑΛΙΑ - ΠΡΟΫΠΕΝΤΟΥΣ 1-1

Μέσα στο ΜΟΓ και παρουντα 38.000 περίπου φιλάθλων (κόπηκαν 36, 128 εισιτήρια) ή "Θενική Αθροαλας και ή περίληψη "Ιταλική Γιουβέντους μετά από ένα ενδιάμεσο αγώνα έξιθλαν Ισθπαλες 1-1.

Γιά τήν Αθροαλα τόν γκόλ πέτυχε ο Νο 5 Ράτνιλιφ στο 42' και γιά τήν Γιουβέ ο Νο 15 Κήνικν στο 78'.

Σίγουρα δ διατήρησε η Γιούβεντους ελε 66 σκολη δουλικά και περισσότερο με τίς φάσεις πού έγιναν στο 42' και 47' και πού κέντησε να τινάχεται το μάτς στην άερα.

Και στις δύο φάσεις τήν αρχή τήν έκαναν οι παίκτες της Αθροαλας.

Συνεκρινμένα στο 42' και ενό 6 Πακνί ήδη ελε πέσει γιά τήν μπάλλα, δ Σπέρ έπαινε προβόλ ή μ άποτέλεσμα να κινηθεί έλαφρό τόν τερματοφύλακα στο πρόσωπο.

Στη συνέχεια όμως 6 Πακνί έκανε καί πού άποωρόπτε τόν έξέδωσε. Έδωσε γροθιά στον Σπέρ.

Αν δ ρεφερέ έστειλε τόν Πακνί στα άποδυτήρια το μάτς δά ελε χάλασε.

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Γουάτσον έκανε αρχή γιά φασαρία με τόν Μπένικε. Ήπειαν καί "φίλες" κλωτσιές και δ Γουάτσον έβωσε κεφαλιά στον Μκνιεν γιά να δεχθεί από τόν δέπτερο χασομπί και μαζή κίτρινη κάρτα από τόν ρεφερέ.

Γενικά στα άσχημα αυτά σημεία δεν νομίζουμε ότι φταίει μόνο ή μία πλευρά αλλά άμφότεροι οι άντιπαλοί.

Πάντως το σκληρό παιχνίδι και το πάθος πού έδειξαν οι παίκτες της Αθροαλας άς έλπισουμε ότι δά τόν δόμει και στους προκριματικούς αγώνες γιά το Παγκόσμιο Κύπελλο.

Μάλιστα μέχρι τώρα έχουμε δει παίκτη από ομάδα της Μελοβούρνης να σκίζεται και να δίνει τόν δυντό τόν άντίθετα με τήν ά διαφορά πού δείχνει στο πρωτάθλημα.

Είναι κι αυτό ένα "μαθηματικό" γιά μερι πού από τήν ομάδα τόν πού τόν μαμάρωνουν και τόν κόνουν τα κέρια τόν, ένώ βλέπουν ότι τούς κοροϊδεύει δ άνθρωπος κανερόν.

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## ΤΟ ΜΑΔΕΡΝ ΔΕΝ ΕΠΑΙΣΕ ΚΑΙ ΕΧΑΣΕ 3-1

Αν και δέν έπαιξε το Μάδερν Στν καλό ποδόσφαιρο εντόστις με λίγη προσοχή δά μπουρσαν να ελε πάσει όχι τήν νίκη αλλά τουλάχιστο τήν ισοπαλία από το Γ.Κράνστον γιά τόν όποιο προηγήθηκε στο Α' μέρος με 3-0.

Ο Τριανταφυλλίδης γιά το Μάδερν στο 75 μείωσε σε 3-1 πού ήταν και το τελικό αποτέλεσμα.

Ήπιαν οι Μανέν, Αζινομάκρου, Παπαδόπουλος, Τσάβις, Ουόλτον, Ρομπότος, (73') Λαμπρούλης, Τριανταφυλλίδης, Γεωργιάδης, Ίαννιόνης, Σαματίδης(45') Ιατροαλκής, Αλαγιολής.

Σεχώρισαν οι Παπαδόπουλος, Τριανταφυλλίδης και Ίαννιόνης.

Η Β' ομάδα νίκησε 4-1.

## ΟΙΚΟΓΕΝΕΙΑΚΗ ΠΡΑΓΙΑ ΤΟΥ ΚΑΙΣΤΡΟΝ ΧΙΛ

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# YUGOSLOVENSKA SCENA

## JOVENTUS NAS JE RAZO-CARAO

Ισχυεν νεκίλοκί professional, ali i nedovoljnih jedin trikona, Juventus nije mnogo pokazao, kao je srećno prošao protiv razigranog Australije, koja je glavna atrakcija na Medjugorjske nogodalske serije.

Sudija je spasio Juventus od poraza, jer je morao da izbaci iz igre golmana Stefana Tacconia i Zbigniew Bonieka zbog nedolicegno ponašanja pred 37.000 gledalaca. Oboljica su nedovoljno, kao prave razmazene balerine, svoju nemoc pokusali da prikriju besom i fizickim obracavanjem, koje se kaznjavaju crevenim kartonom. Sudija se sasvim pametno uzdrzao od najstroje kazne da bi spasio utakmicu.

Publika je bila izvanredna. Medutim, atmosfera bi bila daleko svečanija prikladanja na Olympic Park, koji bi bio prepun i vise odgovarao igricama oba tima, da ne spominjemo finansijsku stranu.

Isto smo videli krcek evropskog fudbala jos uvek smo gladni golova. Rezultat 0:0, cak i 1:1, znak je fudbalske dekadencije. Afrokoni momci su igrali otvoreno i muski, samo nedostatak iskustva sprečio je domace igrace da postignu par golova vise, dok su gosti koristili prekid igre i kaznene udarce da ugroze mrežu Australije.

Nadamo se da ce ostatak utakmica Medjugorjske serije ispuniti nas ocekivanjima. Razume se, rec imajmo Juventus i Iraklis, jer je reprezentacija Australije pruzila daleko vise nego sto se ocekivalo.

Zanimljivo je videti da li ce Iraklis provuci vecu posetu od Juventusa, jer je grcka zajednica brojnjia od italijanske. Za nas je Iraklis uolokio interesantiji sto u svojim redovima ima dva vrlo dobra jugoslovenska igraca, bivseg Vardarog golmana Georgijevskog i Dusanu Milosevica. Najbolje strelca Radnickog iz Nisa. Iraklis igra prvu utakmicu u Brisbanu veceras protiv "B" time Australije, dok sutra je na Melbourne Cricket Groundu protiv "A" tima Australije koja ne zna za proaz u ovj godini.

Paolo Rosi i druzina imaju jos dve sance da opravdaju veliki ugled u Australiji, koji

je ozbilj no polujan prosle nedelje na MCG.

## "PLAVI" U POLUFINALU

Sasvim nejusto, ali potpuno zaslueno NCU se probio u polufinale Nacionalnog Kupa Australije, sto je najveći uspeh ovog najstarijeg jugoslovenskog kluba od pivanja Nacionalne lige 1976. godine.

Nije bilo kako "plavima" da ostvare ovaj podvig, jer su vec deo utakmica odigrali bez 8 standardnih igrica, koji su povredjeni. Trener Ceda Cirkovic je ulio snagu i veru u rezervne igrace, iako je sam sumnjao u uspeh, ali kao iskusan igrac znao je da mnogi faktori uticu na krajnji ishod i da ih treba iskoristiti do maksimuma. "Plavi" su pruzili sve od sebe i dospeli do polufinala, uvereni da ce ih sportska sreca pratiti do kraja ovog takmicenja.

U Adelaidi JUST je zaslueno pobedo Adelaide City sa 3:2 posle prodzetka od 30 minuta. Po sansama pobeda "plavih" mogla je biti veca i ranije ostvarena. U regularnom vremenu sudija je bio na visini zadatka, ali je u nastavku ostetio "plave", kada je prvo priznao a onda (na intervenciju medijasnog ponistio ispravno glava Belja Petka. Pravda je zadovoljena minut pre kraja, kada je Tony Chan postigao pobedonosni zgodac.

Sastav JUSTA: Boland 7m McDowell 7, Hazaband 9, Kyriakoulas 7, Tansey 7, Curovic 9, Belic 7, Karic 7, Paton 6, Lactanovic 6 (Caban od 97. minuta), Lujic 9 (Simic od 104. minuta).

Strelci: Zdravko Lujic u 47, Janie Paton u 70 i Tony Chan u 119. minutu za JUST.

Dok se svi ostali klubovi budu odmarali i posmatrali kraj televizijiskih aparata surset Juventus i Australije na Sydney Cricket Groundu, igra JUSTA preznajavce se u Newcastleu protiv Rosebuda. Ova utakmica 15. kola, koja je trebala da se igra u nedelju 8. jula, pomerena je unapred za subotu 16. juna iz "tehnickih" razloga. Igrace se na verjetovito izdombastom Adamstown Ovalu, a pravdu ce deliti lokalni sudija J. Reeves. Trener Cirkovic igrace JUSTA sureru da ce prebroditi ovu prepreku sa uspehom i obradovati brojne navijace u Newcastleu okupljene oko drustva Mladost.

## PRVA DIVIZIJA

Richmond-Altona Gate/VARDAR 21 (2:0). Tek posle odmore igraci Vardara su se zagrejali, ali nije bilo vremena da izuku makar jedan bod.

Strelac Fred Belier. Sastav Altona Gate: Chris-Dimitrijević, Steve Kimovski, Tom iz rezerve (Vlado Kotevski), Jonce Serovski, Chris Dundjević, Lube Talevski, Boris Gelevski, Petar Kuzmicki, novisli Orkan.

Fred Belier, Jimmy Derisevski, Zlatko Veljanovski. Rezerve su igralo nereseno 1:1.

U subotu 16. juna Altona Gate je gost Springvale Citya.

## DRUGA DIVIZIJA

Ringwood/SRBIA-Eitham 1:0 (0:0). Gosti su novisli sa 1:0 na početku drugog poluvremena, ali zavrsnica pripada igricama Srbije, koji su u borbi za opstanak osvojili dva vazna boda. Strelci Alex Nelson i Demir Orkan.

Sastav Ringwood/SRBIA: Jimmy Milisavljević, Miladin Bjelogrić, Rudi Droessler, Alex Nelson, Petar Vaughan, Derek Bailey (Ljubisa Bosancic), Jimmy Cox, Miki Djuric, Ljuba Stojanovic, Miki Sediarovic (Demir Orkan), Ross Williams. Nije igrao Pavle Jevtic, jer se tog dana ozleno sa ckerkom g. Arzeine, predsednika "Beograda" iz Adelaida. Razume se, svi igrace "Srbije" bili su svatoviti zajedno sa mladencima proslavili vaznu pobedu svog kluba.

U predigri rezerva Eithama pobedila je drugi tim Ringwood/Srbije sa 5:0.

U subotu 16. juna Ringwood/Srbija igra ponovo na svom igralistu protiv Coburga.

## CETVRTA DIVIZIJA

Springvale United - Border 6:4. "Plavi" iz Springvale pobedili su sa rukometnim rezultatom borbene goste iz Alburija. Ponovo su na drugom mestu, ali Yarraville ima prednost od 4 boda.

U subotu 16. juna "Plavi" docekuju na svom igralistu Clifton Hill.

Lalor/SLOGA-Holland Park 1:2 (0:0). Gosti su imali vise od igre i zaslueno pobedili uz nepotrebn pomoć sudije, koji je vrlo slabo i pristrasno obavio svoju duznost. Strelac za Slogu Tome Tasevski.

Sastav Sloge: Tome Packovski, Nik Morihovitić, Peter Kourianis, George Josevski, Jimmy Trajinovski, Viktor Kourumidis (Dino Josevski), Bil Popovski, Boge Kravski, Tom Tasevski, Viktor Stojanovski.

Rezerva je pobedila sa 2:0 (1:0). Strelci: Zdravko Beran i Toni Georgijevski.

U subotu 16. juna Sloga docekuje Fentree Gully na Victoria Drive Reserve, My.8 D.8.

## HAWKSBURN DOBIO JUGO-DERBI

Central City/C. ZVEZDA-HAWKSBURN 0:2 (0:1). Dve greške okrane Zvezde donete su dva boda Hawkburnu. Oba gola postigao je iskusi Strelac Tiber Hagymasi, drugi iz jedanaedera, koji je bez potrebe zaradio golman Nikola Popovic.

Zanimljivo da sudija nije kaznio slican prekras golmana Tibora Mistrica nad Miki Cvetkovskim. Posle utakmice Zvezdin golman Nikola Popovic hitno je prebacen u bolnicu, jer je najveći deo utakmice brzinu kontanzovan, a ne se seca da je skrivio jedanaedera.

Pred kraj utakmice izbila je kavga, ali su se ratoborni dubovi prco umirili, kada je sloba pokazao crveni karton temperamentnom Toni Benedoku, koji je platio i tudje grehove.

Sastav C. Zvezde: N. Popovic, M. Jovanovic, Z. Roksan, D. Simic, Z. Krnic, E. Krt, D. Milenkovic, P. Krnic, E. Petrov, S. Milenkovic, M. Cvetkovski.

Sastav Hawkburna: T. Mistic, A. Ambras, T. Benedek, J. Hegedus, S. Gaszman, S. Kanton, S. Derek (S. Henku), A. Kazi, T. Hagymasi, R. Erdog (S. Laszlo).

Najbolji igrace Edt Krt, Petar Krnic i Dragan Mlenkovic za Zvezdu, Joe Hegedus, Tibor Hajmami i Steve Balog.

Rezerve Zvezda: Hawksburn 3:1 (2:1). Strelci: Vasilu Coca, Nikola Radunovic i Vialko Ceranic za Zvezdu, S. Henko 3, R. Henko, S. Laszlo i autogol Dusk Radisica.

U subotu 16. juna C. zvezda je domacin Malvern Citya, dok je Hawkburn gost Meltona na Macpherson Parku, Coburn Rd.

Carlton/MLADOST-Chelsea

1:2. TReci poraz Mladosti smanjio je izgledje ovog ambicioznog kluba da se probije u Metropolitan ligu.

U subotu 16. juna Mladost je domacin Claytouna.

## USPESI VOJVODINE I PELIS-TERA

Altona/VOJVODINA - Cranbourne 1:0 (0:0). Zasluena pobeda protiv zliavog protivnika, koji je poslednji na tabeli, a pruzio je igru kao da je prvi. Strelac Slobodan Dimitrijević.

Sastav Vojvodine: Pavle Oravec, George Korozic, Tome Dimovski, Veljko Dupur, Jovan Cankovic, Steve Vojna, Zivko Jovanovski (Zoran Derisevski od 75. minuta), Slobodan Dimitrijević.

Najbolji igrace: Steve Vojna, Slobodan Dimitrijević i Jovan Cankovic.

Rezerve su igralo nereseno 1:1 (1:1). Strelac Stan Peska. Najbolji igrace: George Christou, Stan Peska i John Sklenar.

U subotu 16. juna Altona/Vojvodina docekuje Fitzroy City na Paisley Reserve.

Fascoe Vale/PELISTER-Fitzroy City 3:0 (0:0). "Plavi" su poceli spori i oprezno, ali kada se zagrejala "plava" masina golovi su padali kao kisa. Seriju je otvorio veteran Miro Dzanovski, a za njim su se u strelce upisali Tony Centarrino i Jane Bogojevski.

Sastav Pelistera: Steve Maracato, George Karajandis, Nikola Lazarevski, Dany McLaughlin, Miro Dzanovski (John Benala), Marko Radojic, Jane Bogojevski, Dusk Nivevski, Tony Centarrino, Boris Cosic, Zlatko Cvetanovski.

Rezerva je izgubila sa 1:3 (0:1). Strelac Tony Strano.

U subotu 16. juna Pelister docekuje Geelong United.

## "BEOGRAD" NA CELU

### TABELE

Burwood Utd-Hampton/BEograd 1:2 (1:0). Novi trener "Beograda" Stevica Prekop za vreme odmora objasnio je igracima "Beograd" je prekrusno rezultatu koji koristi i ludo na celu tabele trece provizionalne divizije, iako je odigrao utakmicu manje. Strelci: Dragoljub Jankovic i Savas Colakoglu.

Sastav "Beograda": Sava Jankovic, Borzdar Milosavljević.

vic, Zigi Karademir, Dragoljub Jankovic, Nedeljko Rajic, Ace Cabrera, Savas Colakoglu, Ajden Bol, Drago Vojic, Izl Omerogulari, Mart Colakoglu.

Najbolji igrace Ajden Bol, Savas Colakoglu, Marti Colakoglu.

Pobedila je rezerva Burwood sa 3:0 (2:0).

U ponedeljak 11. juna Beograd je odigrao ponovljenu utakmicu protiv Mossfilla, a u subotu 16. juna goste Diamond Valleya.

## VISOKA POBEDA RICHMOND/BOSNE

Richmond/BOSNA-Carrum 4:1 (2:1). Da je navala "Bosne" iskoristila polovinu sanci, rezultat bi bio dvostrucni. Goste je spasio sportska sreca od katastrofe.

Dugo ce pamtili razigranog i iskusnog Zarka Stanimirovica, koji je postigao het-trik na ovoj utakmici. Niko ga nije mogao zadržati u elegantnim prodorima, koje je izvodio kao pravi velemaistor u skijanju.

Strelac cetvrtog gola je Stevica Kosovac, koji je prvi put nastupio za Bosnu.

Sastav: Ivan Karlovic, Dragan Petrovic, Zeljko Mi-

kulic, Frank Erdedi (Dragan Milovic od 46. minuta), Branko Gavran, Mladen Kresinger, Stevo Kosovac, Igor Mukavec, Zarko Stanimirovic, Bruno Alek-sic, Petko Tomic.

Rezerva je ponedelja sa 1:0 (0:0). Strelac Muhamed Tubic.

Posto je Bosna slobodna srede subote, sastace se prvi i drugi tim na Burnley Ovalu u 3 po podne.

## BAYSIDE LIGA

Ballam Park - VESELA MADEDONJA 0:6 (0:4). Jos jedna visoka pobeda nasih momaka, koji imaju razloga da budu veseli. Strelci: Mende Veleviski 2, Paul Bana 2, Pece Nedelkovic i Trajko Stojanovski po 1.

Trener Mite Gosovski izveo je sledeci sastav za ovu utakmicu: Blagoja Stojanovicki, Ace Milosevski, Miki Misyev, Branko Stankov, George Risteovski (George Pavlovski), Paul Bana, Pece Nedelkovic, Dragan Nedelkovic (Trajko Stojanovski), Mende Veleviski, Bil Jovan, Jim Marlin.

U nedelju 17. juna Vesela Makedonija igra protiv Row-villa Pocatet utakmice u 11 pre podne.

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